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Thousand-Pound Bombs On Rangoon Docks

U.S. Air Force Attacks Railroad Bridge At Myitgne: Jap Counter-Attacks Repulsed

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5.

Our pressure against enemy positions on the Arakan front continues despite bitter oppositions, says an India Command joint war communique. In the Donbaik area two fresh Japanese counter-attacks have been repulsed by our troops with confirmed loss to the enemy.

On February 4 R.A.F. 'Liberator' bombers attacked docks and sidings at Rangoon with thousand-pound bombs. Many bursts were seen in the target area and large fires were started.

ATTACK ON MAGWE AERODROME

Yesterday Blenheims escorted by fighters bombed enemy positions at Rathedaung. Offensive patrols over other parts of Burma included a low level fighter attack on Magwe aerodrome.

From these operations none of our aircraft is missing.

Yesterday morning enemy aircraft attacked some of our positions in the Mayu battle area with negligible results. They were met by heavy anti-aircraft fire but details of the damage inflicted on them are not yet available.

It is now known that our anti-aircraft gunners shot down one of the Japanese bombers which attacked a place south of Cox's Bazar on Wednesday, February 3.

U.S. AIR FORCE ACTIVE

Bombers of the Tenth U. S. Air Force yesterday attacked the railroad bridge at Myitgne in Burma, where the Japanese have been making a major effort to repair the damage caused by a previous raid, says an United States Army Forces China, Burma and India communique. They had succeeded in raising a span from the river bottom but the bridge had not been restored to service. Direct hits were reported by the bomber crews, all of whom returned safely.

HEAVY MISSILES FOR JAPS

Thousand-pound bombs, which are mentioned for the first time in to-day's joint war "communique", are comparatively the newest and heaviest missiles in use against the Japanese in the Burma theatre, although the R. A. F. have much heavier bombs—ranging up to 8,000-pounders—which have been used in other theatres, several of these 1,000-pounders can be carried in the Liberator bombers, whose use in Burma is also revealed for the first time to-day.

The R. A. F. have consistently used 1,000 lb. bombs on the most important targets in Berlin, Dusseldorf, Kiel and other German objectives. They are very effective against docks, warehouses and other large installations They are high explosive bombs and are of course much bigger and much more powerful than any that the Japanese have used against Calcutta.

The Liberators, which are American machines produced by the same firm that make the Catalina flying boat, are extensively used by the R. A. F. They are equally useful for heavy bombing and long range reconnaissance, anti-submarine patrol and other duties.—A. P.

RED "COMMANDOS" LAND NEAR NOVOROSSISK

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Russian "commandos" under guns of the Black Sea fleet have landed north of Novorossisk, forming a spearhead to cut into the Germans retreating over the Kerch Straits to the Crimea. The news was given on Tuesday night by Berlin.

The Germans said that "large-scale landing attempts were made to attack the rear of the German bridgehead on the Taman Peninsula on the Caucasus side of the Kerch Straits.

They admitted that the Russians "gained a foothold".

Berlin also spoke of strong Red Army attacks "against the area of Novorossisk and to the north of it". Tanks and infantry stormed German lines continuously.

BIG VICTORY FOR SMUTS

CAPETOWN, Feb. 5.

The South African Senate today approved Gen. Smuts' motion to permit South African troops to serve outside the African continent by 21 votes to 6.

The House yesterday passed the motion by 75 votes to 49.—Reuter.

CRIPPS WANTS MORE AND MORE POOLING

LONDON, Feb. 5.

EDINBURGH: The Minister of Aircraft Production, Sir Stafford Cripps, addressing aircraft workers in Scotland to-day said that there was a complete pooling of the resources of Britain and the United States to the great advantage of both. British planes were flying with American engines and American propellers and American planes were equipped with British engines and British propellers.

He hoped the pooling would be carried forward in the political, social and economic fields after the war so that the two countries could work together for the construction of a new world, which was the object of fighting for victory to-day.

U. S. Column Evacuates Village

But American Air Force Takes Big Toll Of Axis Planes

LONDON, Feb. 5.

From Reuter's special correspondent with the American forces at Allied Headquarters in North Africa: There was a little fighting in the vicinity of Hill 648 (Djebel Mansour) yesterday but it was not of much importance. We continue to hold the high ground.

The United States Column having accomplished its purpose in capturing Sened, between Gafsa and Maknassi, and driven off a counter-attack, has evacuated this village and railway station. It has moved west in the direction of Gafsa, 45 miles away.

BIG TOLL OF NAZI PLANES

Two waves of "Flying Fortresses" escorted by "P 38 Lightnings" raided the aerodrome at Gabes and an emergency landing-field, five miles outside Gabes, yesterday. They were heavily engaged by German fighters and one of the waves shot down nine, while a second group of "Fortresses" in a running fight that lasted over 50 miles, shot down 15 "Messerschmitt 109s" and "Fockewulf 190s". One of the "Lightnings" also shot down a German fighter. American losses in the engagement were one "Flying Fortress" and four "P 38s." They started half a dozen fires at the Gabes aerodrome and the nearby dispersal areas and saw large columns of smoke rising from the emergency field, where their bombs had struck.

In fighter sweeps throughout the day one additional enemy plane was destroyed and five American fighters were lost. This brought the day's loss in American planes to ten, but against it there were 26 German planes shot down in the air and 26 more damaged.

ALLIES BOMB PALERMO

CAIRO:—To-day's Middle East joint war 'communique' states: Yesterday our patrol activity continued in Tunisian border area.

"Allied fighter-bombers continued attacks against enemy small shipping off the Tunisian coast. Palermo was bombed on Wednesday night and fires were caused. All our aircraft returned from the above operations."

DE GAULLISTS WON'T DO FOR SENEGALESE ARMY?

LONDON, February 5.

From Reuter's special correspondent at Algiers:—The Governor of French West Africa, M. Pierre Boisson told me today that he could raise an army of twice to three times the size of the existing West African force of 100,000 well-trained Senegalese if only European officers and equipment were found for them.

Asked whether he would accept de Gaullist officers, M. Boisson replied: "That is a question which had better be put to Gen Giraud."

SOVIET CRITICISM OF BRITAIN JUSTIFIED

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Soviet criticism of the Allies, which is said to be stronger than for many months, is discussed by the columnist A. J. Cummings in 'The News Chronicle" to-day.

He says:—There is some excuse for the growing impatience of our Soviet allies. Month after month they have been engaging single-handed the full might of Axis land-armies of immense strength on Russian territory. The enemy forces we have had to meet are insignificant by comparison. Not only has there been appalling destruction of the material foundations of economic Russia but the people have suffered and still are suffering terrible privations. The mental and physical strain they have endured would have brought a weaker nation to its knees long ago.—Reuter

Papen Recalled To Report On Adana Meeting

ANKARA Feb. 5

The German Ambassador, Von Papen has now been recalled to Germany to report on the Adana meeting.—Reuter.

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R. A. F. BOMBS TURIN & RUHR

LONDON, February 5.

It is officially announced that R.A.F. bombers were over Italy and Axis-occupied territory last night.

Last night Bomber Command aircraft were over Italy, France and Germany. Turin, the centre Italian automobile industry, was heavily bombed in excellent weather. Defences though clearly strengthened were no more effective than in December.

The naval base of Spezia was also bombed.

The submarine base at L'Orient was the the target for another force of bombers. Here also the weather was good and bombing was heavy and concentrated. Targets in Ruhr were also bombed in the course of reconnaissance flights over Germany. Three of our bombers are missing. Spezia is on west coast of Italy, 50 miles south-east of Genoa.

MANY BUILDINGS HIT IN TURIN SAYS ROME

An Italian communique states that Allied planes "in repeated waves" made a raid on Turin City and surroundings late yesterday evening. Many buildings were hit. The number of casualties is not so far ascertained.

Other Allied planes reached Spezia and dropped bombs which caused damage. During the night there were raids on Sicily also. "A large formation of enemy twin-engined bombers attacked one of our convoys in the Mediterranean."

BOMBS ON EAST ANGLIA

An Air Ministry communique today announces that early last night there was a little Axis activity over the coastal districts of south-east England. Bombs were dropped at places in East Anglia. Some damage and a small number of casualties have been reported.

New Commander Of U. S. Forces In Europe

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Liet.-Gen. Frank Maxwell Andrews to-day took over command of the United States forces in the European theatre of operations.

MORE FUNDS FOR U.S. NAVY

WASHINGTON: President Roosevelt asked Congress to-day for an additional 4,000 million dollars cash and 210 million dollars in contract authorizations for the Navy. These additional funds included 562 million dollars for aviation and 417 million dollars for armour, armament and ammunition.

TROTSKY MURDER TRIAL OPENS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 5.

The final stage of the trial of Jacques Mornard, accused of murdering Leon Trotsky, the former Bolshevik leader, with a pick-axe in August, 1940, opens to-day. It had been delayed for two years by various legal devices. Several judges charged with trying Mornard gave up the case because of anonymous threats of death.—Reuter.

Turkey Has Nothing To Fear From Russia

Atay Says, 'We Believe In System Of International Peace & Security'

(Through A. P. and U. P.)

CALCUTTA, Feb. 5.

"We believe in the system of international peace and security based on complete independence and inter-dependence of all peoples", said M. Atay of Turkish Press Mission in the course of discussions with the representatives of the Bengal Provincial Trade Union Congress who presented an address of welcome to the Delegation this morning.

THEIR BEST SAFEGUARD

Replying to a question as to whether Turkey was afraid of the Soviet Union as the Axis Powers were making propaganda about Russian designs, the delegation said that Turkey had nothing to fear. Their socio-economic system was the best safeguard against this.

COMMUNISTS MEET MISSION

In the morning to-day, the Mission granted an interview to Mr. Somenath Lahiry and Mr. Muzzafar Ahmed, representatives of the Communist Party, Bengal, and discussed with them the policy of the Communist Party in India with regard to the present war.

The members of the Turkish Press Mission visited yesterday along with the Deputy Director of Ship Construction and other naval officers, ship-building yards in Calcutta, where they saw vessels of many different types under construction for the Royal Indian Navy. They had the opportunity of seeing craft in various stages of building some with keels just laid, others almost ready for launching.

Accompanied by the naval officer in charge, Capt. L. Sanderson, the party proceeded on board one of His Majesty's Indian ships in the port and after being shown round by her captain and others, were entertained in the ward-room.

H. E. the Governor of Bengal last night gave a small dinner party to the Turkish Press Mission at Government House.

TRIBUTE TO CALCUTTA

A glowing tribute to the defences of Calcutta was paid by M. Atay, leader of the Turkish Press Mission, in an interview to the Associated Press at Howrah Station on the eve of the Mission's departure for Madras this afternoon.

"The morale of the people of fighting Calcutta," M. Atay said, "must be very very high because we have not felt anything about war conditions here except the black-out.

M. Atay was highly impressed with the modernity of Calcutta with its fine buildings and squares. "Calcutta can be put anywhere in Central Europe as the capital town of any State there," he added.

Itinerary

The Mission will arrive at Madras on the 7th instant. Leaving Madras the following day, they will reach Bangalore on the 9th. From Bangalore they will proceed to Hyderabad (Deccan) reaching there on the 14th. The Mission will leave Hyderabad for Bombay on the 17th and after a four-day stay at Bombay they will proceed via New Delhi to Gwalior.

'C. R.' TO MEET TURKISH DELEGATES

MADRAS, Feb. 4.

It is reliably learnt that at the desire of M. Atay, leader of the Turkish Press Delegation to meet Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, former Premier of Madras, a meeting has been arranged to take place between them in the Government House on February 7.—United Press.

NO IMMEDIATE PEACE WITH HITLER

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.

The results of the latest Gallop poll show that 92 per cent of persons questioned were against immediate peace with Hitler, leaving the world as it is at the moment.—Reuter.

BIHAR GOVT. ORDERS SALE OF SEIZED KHADDAR

PATNA:—The Government of Bihar have issued instructions, states a Press Note for sale of the seized stocks of the All-India Spinners' Association and Khaddar Bhandars through Departmental and recognised agents of the Industries Department, care being taken to see that the stocks do not fall into the hands of profiteers.

The Note adds that the sale proceeds will remain in Government custody until further orders.

The Secretary of the Bihar Branch of the All-India Spinners' Association had requested Government for disposal of the stocks of the Association, which had been seized by local officers.—A.P.

Life Sentence For Three

AZAMGARH:—Out of 50 persons who stood charged with arson and looting of the Kaza estate where the British Manager's bungalow was looted and burnt down the District and Sessions Judge convicted 40, sentencing three to transportation for life and others to terms of R.I. ranging from one year to ten years. Ten persons were acquitted

(SEE PAGE 7)

LONDON: Britain's submarines are to be given names instead of numbers, thus reverting to the former practice. The Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill has supported this change, which was strongly backed by the crews.

Reds Threaten Hitler's Three Big Bastions

Axis Loses Several Big Towns On Russian Fronts

MOSCOW, February 5

Hitler's three big Russia winter bastions of Kursk, Kharkov and Rostov were seriously menaced today by smashing new Red Army advances, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

Soviet forces hemming in the remnants of the 300,000 Caucasus Germans are racing west to seal up the last 20 miles escape-gap below Rostov. They have battered their way through Starominskaya, a key rail town 20 miles from the Sea of Azov.

CHERMISINSKAYA CAPTURED

The Moscow radio repeating the Soviet communique early today gave the name of a further district centre and railway station occupied by the Soviet troops east of Kursk. This is Chermisinskaya.

SPECIAL SOVIET ANNOUNCEMENT

The text of the announcement says:—In the Ukraine our troops by a swift attack captured the Town of Kupyansk, East of Kursk our troops captured the town and large railway station of Schigry and the town of Tim.

As previously reported by the Soviet Information Bureau on January 30 our troops as a result of fighting between January 27 and 29 west of Voronezh encircled large enemy groups. During the last few days these enemy groups were cut into parts and are being mopped up. All attempts of the encircled German troops to break through have failed.

As a result of fighting between January 30 and February 4 our troops wiped out more than 5,000 of the encircled enemy group and took prisoner 13,000 officers and men. In all during the offensive of our troops west of Voronezh between January 27 and 4th February, 27,000 enemy officers and men were taken prisoner.

On Febrpary 4 our troops took prisoner the Commander of Third Hungarian Army Corps, Maj.-Gen. Szton Chief of the Artillery of that Corps, General Desin and Chief of the Operational section of the Corps Staff, Maj. Czato.

During the same period the enemy lost more than 70,000 in killed alone."

RUSSIA'S GAINS

Reuter adds Tim is 40 miles east of Kursk the big German base on the Moscow-Kharkov railway. Shigry is 32 miles north-east of Kursk and the last point of any importance on the railway which runs from Voronezh to Kursk. The capture of Kupyansk junction has been announced previously. Shigry is 115 miles from Voronezh and is a district town in the province of Kursk. In the district there are huge deposits of magnetic iron ore.

MORE RUSSIAN ADVANCES

The Supplement to the Soviet midday 'communique' said: "South of Rostov our troops continued to advance. In the area of Krasni Liman our troops continued their offensive. One unit occupied several inhabited localities. In another sector the Germans brought up reserves and threw two regiments of infantry and a strong force of tanks into action but Soviet units continued to advance. Five hundred enemy were wiped out and 18 tanks were destroyed.

In the Kupyansk area, a Russian unit occupied a favourable position.

East of Kursk our troops continued their successful offensive. One Soviet formation took 1,480 prisoners in two days' fighting and captured 54 guns, six radio transmitters, 28 dumps and other war material.

On the Trans-Caucasian front our troops continued offensive operations."

MANY DISTRICT CENTRES CAPTURED

The Soviet Communique early this morning said:—"On February 4 in the Ukraine our troops captured the district centres of Dvurechnaya and Borovaya.

East of Kursk they also captured the district centre and railway station of Kolpny. South of Rostov-on-Don our forces captured the large railway centre of Minskaya and the district centre and railway station of Kanevskaya.

RUSSIANS BREAK THROUGH

Russians broke through strong German defensive positions north-west of Mechetinskaya which is south of Rostov-on-Don, says a supplement to to-days Soviet communique.

GERMAN TROOPS GOING TO SOVIET FRONT FROM FRANCE

The Moscow radio said last night that German troops are being sent secretly from France to the Russian front.

BERLIN ADMITS LANDING IN TAMAN

Increased Russian pressure in the Western Caucasus and the Kuban was reported by the German High Command last night, states the German News Agency.

The report also revealed a Russian landing on Taman Peninsula in the rear of Marshal Von List's Caucasian forces attempting to retreat across the Kerch Straits.

LITTERED WITH GERMAN CORPSES

To-day all roads from Voronezh to the west are littered with German corpses and Red Army is tightening the ring around the trapped German forces.

This afternoon Hitler's Caucasus Army has been driven towards the ice-locked bay of Taganro to the south-west of Rostov.

Those Germans who have reached the Sea of Azov are now confronted with an ice-belt two miles wide all along the sea-coast. Rostov now has only a 26 miles long railway running south to Azov port at the Don estuary.

Germany "Mourning For Stalingrad"

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Listening station says that the German radio, complying with the "mourning for Stalingrad", broadcast to-day an almost endless programme of funeral marches occasionally interrupted by extracts of prose or verse on "strength through suffering."

News bulletins were full of quotations from German and other Axis papers exalting the self-sacrifice of the German army of Stalingrad.—Reuter.

'Sind Observer' Drops Editorial

Sequel To Govt.'s Order On Scrutiny Before Publication

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

The Sind Government has ordered the editor of the "Sind Observer' to submit all editorial comments before publication to the scrutiny of the Provincial Press Adviser for one month.

The following is the text of the order served on him this evening:

"Whereas the Provincial Government is satisfied that it is necessary to make the following order with respect to the person known as Mr. K. Punniah, Editor, Printer and Publisher of the "Sind Observer" with a view to preventing him from acting in any manner prejudicial to the maintenance of the public order and to the efficient prosecution of the war, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-Rule 1 of Rule 41 of D.I.R., the Provincial Government is pleased to direct that said Mr. Punniah shall for a period of one month from the date of the order before publishing any editorial comment in the "Sind Observer" submit it to the Provincial Press Adviser for scrutiny.

During pendency of the order the "Sind Observer" announces, no editorial or notes will appear in its columns.—A.P.

C. P. PUTS WAR-TIME BAN ON "ROTI"

NAGPUR, Feb. 5.

The C.P. Government has declared as uncertified the film entitled "Roti" for the duration of the war.—A.P.

EDITORS TAKEN INTO CONFIDENCE

CALCUTTA, Feb. 5.

The Nawab Bahadur of Dacca, Minister responsible for Civil Supplies, held a Press Conference today at which almost all editors of Calcutta newspapers attended by personal invitation. Mr. Roxburgh, Director of Civil Supplies, Mr. L. G. Pinnell and the President and members of the Distributing Trades Tribunal were present.

The editors were taken into confidence and a discussion on the food problem took place for over an hour and a half.—A.P.

"Azad" Press Searched

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

The local police this evening searched the "Azad" printing press where the Sindhi daily "Azad" is printed. The search lasted for about an hour. Nothing was removed by the police.

It may be mentioned in this connection that Moulvi Abdul Karim Chishti, editor of the paper, is standing trial under D.I.R. for an article published in the "Azad" recently.

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Wanted applications for post of Works Manager, having practical experience of upto-date Job and News-paper Printing for responsible position in large printing establishment now being expanded. Salary Rs. 500/- or more according to qualifications. Reply Box No. 763, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted—A (lady) Provincial Organising Commissioner for girl scouts, Hindustan Scout Association, U.P., on Rs. 100/-, 5/- 150- per month, besides actual travelling charges. Please apply stating academic qualifications and giving details of training and proficiency in scoutcraft (guidecraft), physical culture and music and also of previous experience, if any. It should be noted that it is necessary to have a good working knowledge of the language of the province. Applications should reach the Provincial Commissioner Hindustan Scout Association, U.P., Allahabad, by February 15, 1943. The selected candidate will be appointed in the first instance on probation for six months. (3293)

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted a Salesman for a Firm dealing in Pharmaceuticals. Previous Experience in this Line Preferred. Apply to Box No. 792 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a Hindu Lady Graduate as companion to girls in a respectable Hindu family. Apply Box No. 786, "Bombay Chronicle."

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651 MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

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653. MISCELLANEOUS WANTED.

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NOTICE

DEPOSITORS of the Bank and the public are hereby informed that rules No. 1 and 5 of the Current Account rules of the Bank have been changed. The old rules are deleted and the new rules which have been framed in their place are given below. The change will come into effect from the date of this notice:

NEW RULE NO. 1 reads:

"Current Deposit Accounts are opened with an initial deposit of not less than Rs. 200/-, in the names of persons properly introduced or known to the Bank. The constituents are required to maintain a good balance in such accounts. Such accounts may be opened at any branch of the Bank. They obviate the danger of carrying cash to pay accounts, the payment of which by cheque is a safeguard against disputed payments and also provides a permanent record of all payments. Ordinarily an incidental charge is made for maintaining current accounts. The amount of the charge is determined in each case by the Manager."

NEW RULE NO. 5 reads:

"Cheques paid in cash will be provisionally credited and must not be drawn against until the proceeds have been received by the Bank even though entries may have been made to the credit of an account and initialled for in the pass book. The amount of any cheque not duly paid will be debited to the customer. The Manager may in his discretion allow drawing of cheques against uncleared effects in special cases but this shall not constitute a binding agreement between the Bank and the customer so as to entitle the latter to draw cheques against uncleared effects; nor, may constituents overdraw their accounts even for small amounts without having made previous arrangements."

GENERAL MANAGER.
3199

THE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED, LAHORE

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN THE SAVINGS FUND DEPOSIT RULES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the GENERAL PUBLIC and the DEPOSITORS of the Bank that in place of the existing rules No. 5 and 39 of the Savings Fund Account, the following should be substituted:—

RULE NO: 5:

"The smallest sum that can be accepted at the time of opening an account is Rs. 10/- and thereafter no deposit for less than Rs. 5/- will be accepted. An account, the balance of which shall fall below Rs. 5/- may be closed at the Bank's discretion. A depositor cannot deposit a larger sum than Rs. 10,000/- in all."

RULE NO: 39.

"The calculation will, however, be made for each calendar month on the lowest balance at credit of an account between the close of the 5th day and the end of the month and only on every complete sum of Rs. 5/- not exceeding Rs. 10,000/- in all. No interest is allowed when it comes to less than annas four at the time of calculation."

The above two rules come into effect from 1st January 1943.

GENERAL MANAGER.
(3200)

PRESS NOTICE

The Iron and Steel Controller has issued two circulars—one notifying the prices at which steel will be sold by re-rollers and another notifying the prices at which steel will be sold by controlled stockholders.

These prices come into force on 1-2-43, and notwithstanding the rate at which any order has been booked by the re-roller or stockholder, apply to all deliveries effected from the sellers' year on or after that date.

Issued by The Iron & Steel Controller.
(3313)

THE KAROULI GINNING & PRESS CO. LTD.
(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 208D(1) of the Indian Companies' Act, 1913, a Meeting of the shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office of the liquidator at Navsari Chambers, Outram Road, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY 3rd March, 1943, at 3-15 P.M. (S.T.)

(Sd.) VARJIVANDAS MOTILAL,
Liquidator.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1943.
3307

Public Notices

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(3198)

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the temporary posts of Technical Assistants Grade I pay Rs. 250-20-350 for the Mill Stores and Machinery Section and the Dyes and Chemicals Section of the Cotton Textiles Directorate.

2. Preference will be given to applicants possessing a knowledge of the requirements of Textile Mills with experience in a Mill or Mill Stores Supply office.

3. Selected candidates will be required to serve on probation for a period of 3 months.

4. The appointments will be temporary in the first instance, but may continue for the duration of War.

5. Applications should be sent immediately to the Administrative Officer (CX-2) Cotton Textiles Directorate, Hararwalla Building, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. 3192

ACWORTH LEPER HOME, MATUNGA.

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of (1) Foodstuffs, (2) Clothing and (3) Miscellaneous Stores to the Acworth Leper Home at Matunga during the year commencing from 1st April, 1943, will be received upto 1 P.M. (B.T.) on WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, 1943.

The tenders must be enclosed in a sealed cover superscribing description of the articles tendered for and should be addressed to the President and delivered at the Office of the Honorary Treasurer of the Home at the Municipal Head Office, Fort, Bombay, with the required deposits.

Form of contract, specifications, etc. will be issued to the intending tenderers on payment of Rs. 5/- and the Undersigned will on application, furnish any information that may be required.

The President of the Board reserves the right to accept quotations for any one or more of the tendered schedules and does not undertake to accept the lowest or any tender.

B. C. DAS GUPTA,
Honorary Secretary,
Acworth Leper Home.
Public Health Department,
Municipal Head Office, Fort,
Bombay, 4th February, 1943.
(3305)

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(Sd.) DEVIDAS H. KASABWALA
Liquidator.
Bombay, 3rd February, 1943.
(3306)

COMMERCE CLUB

THE FIRST MEETING of the Commerce Club will be held on MONDAY, the 8th February, 1943, at the Hall of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Lalji Naranji Memorial Building, Churchgate, Bombay at 6-30 P.M. (S.T.). All who have applied and interested are requested to attend. (3300)

NOTICE

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO THE LAND MANAGER.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Personal Assistant to the Land Manager.

Applicants must possess in addition to high academic qualifications in law, practical experience of work in a Solicitor's firm including conveyancing *for not less than three years.*

The pay of the post is Rs. 325/- rising to Rs. 425/- per month by annual increments of Rs. 20/- plus—in the case of a married officer on the permanent establishment whose family is resident in Bombay—a house allowance in accordance with rules sanctioned by the Trustees from time to time, which at present amounts to Rs. 75/- per month in respect of the above appointment.

The selected candidate will be required to pass a medical examination by the Administrative Medical Officer, Bombay Port Trust. The appointment will be temporary until 3rd December, 1943, after which it is probable that there will be a clear vacancy, when he will be confirmed if found satisfactory. If confirmed in the appointment, he will be subject in all respects to the Trustees' service rules including Provident Fund, leave etc.

Applications, which must be in the candidate's own handwriting, stating age, academic qualifications, training and experience together with copies (which will not be returned) of not more than 3 recent testimonials, should be forwarded to the undersigned in sealed covers marked "Personal Assistant" so as to reach him not later than 15th February, 1943.

Any attempt to bring personal influence to bear upon members of the Board of Trustees or any of their Officers will disqualify the candidate concerned.

H. G. DOSHI,
B.E., M.I.E.,
Ag. Manager,
Land and Bunders,
Ballard Road Fort Bombay.
3253.

HIGH COURT

Suit No. 195 & 197 of 1942.

OFFERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of the following pieces of land at Gundavali, Andheri, Bombay Suburban District:

(1) Plot of land, measuring about 4500 square yards, bearing old entry No. 105 and new No. 272, Survey No. 19 at Kurla Road next to Mohan Pictures.

(2) Plot of land, measuring about 6425 square yards Collector's Survey No. 32 Hissa No. 1 Survey No. 33 Hissa No. 7.

(3) Plot of land, measuring about 2650 square yards, Collector's Survey No. 31 Hissa No. 1.

The offerers should submit their offers in a sealed cover so as to reach the undersigned on or before 15th February, 1943. The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

Dated at Bombay this 20th January, 1943.

B. K. DESAI,
Court Receiver,
High Court, Bombay,
Receiver in Suit No. 195 & 197/1942.
H. M.'s High Court, Bombay
3255

Public Notices

NOITCE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for posts of steno-typists likely to last for the duration of war on Rs. 60-2-80-3-125 plus a special pay of Rs. 30 p.m. Only those who possess a speed of 120 words a minute in shorthand and 45 words a minute in typewriting need apply. Selected candidates will be required to attend an interview and test at New Delhi at their own expense. Applications in candidates own handwriting stating age, qualifications and experience with copies of testimonials should reach the Deputy Director General, Indian Medical Service, New Delhi, by the 20th February, 1943.
3320

THE APOLLO MILLS, LIMITED

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to Mr. Lalji Poonja, duplicates of the share certificates Nos. 478/482 for 25 shares Nos. 8561/8585 upon the statement that the original certificates have been LOST or DESTROYED. And Notice is hereby given that if within 30 days from the date hereof no claim or representation in respect of such original certificates is made to the said Directors at the Company's Office, at E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, they will then proceed to deal with such application for duplicate share certificates.

Signature
LALJI PUNJA.
Dated 6th February, 1943.
801

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a Welfare Officer in the grade of Rs. 75-5-100-10-150 plus Rs. 50/- conveyance allowance per month so as to reach the undersigned on or before 20th February, 1943. Only those who are graduates of Sir Dorab Tata's School of Social Work or similar foreign or Indian Institution or who possess Diploma in social service administration along with graduation in Arts or Law, need apply.

The applicants should state age, caste, qualifications with previous experience if any. The selected candidate will be appointed on probation for one year in the first instance.

(Sd.) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ahmedabad,
Date 3-2-1943.
3311.

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the temporary posts of Typists on Rs. 50/- in the scale of Rs. 50-5/2-90. Qualification: Matriculation and speed in Typewriting forty words per minute. Apply stating full particulars regarding education, age, domicile and experience, to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, before 12th February, 1943.
3302

Legal Notices

NOTICE FOR SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. BEHRAM KHUSROO IRANI and GUSTAD KHODADAD IRANI have agreed to sell free from all incumbrances to our clients their property situate at the junction of Colaba Cause Way Henry Road and Barrow Road on the Apollo Reclamation known as "York House" particulars of which are given below:—

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

PARTICULARS OF THE PROPERTY:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of Leasehold land together with the buildings standing thereon situate at the junction of Colaba Causeway, Henry Road and Barrow Road, on the Apollo Reclamation Estate of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay in the City of Bombay, admeasuring 2459.6/9th square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue Bombay under Cadastral Survey No. 1/422 (Colaba Division) in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and assessed by the Municipality under 1(A) Ward No. 557(1) Street No. 5 Barrow Street, Ward No. 557(1B), Street No. 79 to 81 and 7 Colaba Cause Way and Barrow Street Ward No. 557(1D), Street No. 14 Henry Road and Ward No. 557(1C) Street Nos. 83-83A-83B 83C 83D and 16 Colaba Cause Way and Henry Road and bounded as follows:—On the North by Barrow Road, on the South by Henry Road, on the East by land belonging to the Port Trustees and on the West by Colaba Cause Way.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1943.

A. N. DEDANWALA
For Messrs. Hasan Bari & Co.
Purchasers' Attorneys.
3294

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that (1) Bai DHONDIBAI, widow of Gajanan Nana Jayakar, (2) MAHADEO SOKERJI JAYAKAR, (3) KESHAV SOKERJI JAYAKAR, (4) SURESH-VITHAL MOTIRAM JAYAKAR, a minor by his mother and natural guardian Champubai Motiram Jayakar and (5) MANEK-BAI, widow of Yeshwant Babulji Jayakar, all of Bombay, Fathare Prabhu Hindu Inhabitants, have contracted for the absolute sale to our client of the undermentioned property and have declared in the contract of the said sale to our said client that they the said (1) Bai Dhondibai, widow of Gajanan Nana Jayakar, (2) Mahadeo Sokerji Jayakar, (3) Keshav Sokerji Jayakar, (4) Suresh-Vithal Motiram Jayakar, a minor by his mother and natural guardian Champubai Motiram Jayakar and (5) Manekbai, widow of Yeshwant Babulji Jayakar have not in their possession any of the title deeds relating to the said property and that the conveyance, dated the 8th day of September, 1913, relating to the said property by Dadaji Nana Govindrao to Sokerji Nana Govindrao and another has been LOST or MISPLACED and that the same is not to be found. All persons, therefore, having or claiming any right, title or interest in or to the said property or any part thereof whether by way of inheritance, bequest, trust, possession, gift, sale, mortgage, charge, lien, maintenance, lease, easement or otherwise howsoever, or in possession of the documents relating to the said property or claiming any right title or interest whether by way of charge lien or otherwise on the title deeds, are hereby required to make such claims known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 134, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from this date, otherwise the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and all such claims, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of pension and tax land or ground, containing by admeasurement 5996.30 sq. yds. or thereabouts with messuages, tenements and dwelling houses standing thereon situate, lying and being at Bhowanishankar Road, Dadar and bearing number in the Collector's Rent Roll 1137, Collector's New No. 4232, Laughton's Survey No. 2|1857 and Cadastral Survey No. 1415 of Lower Parel Division and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 18G Ward No. 3315 (1), 3316, 3317 (1), 3317 (1A) and 3317 (3) and Street Nos. 779, 84, 781, 781A and 781B and bounded as follows: that is to say, on the East partly by the Municipal land, partly by proposed 40' Road, partly by Cadastral Survey No. 1570 and 1418 part, on the West by Cadastral Survey No. 1245, on the North by Cadastral Survey No. 1417, 1418, 1416, 4|1416 and 5|1416 on the South by Cadastral Survey No. 1414.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1943.

SUNKERSETT & VAIDYA,
Attorneys for the Purchaser.

3303

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DEWAN BAHADUR NARAYAN VITHAL SAYANNA has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:—

ALL that piece or parcel of Bombay Improvement Trust Leasehold land or ground being Plot Nos. 109-110 situate at Princess Street, in the Town and Island of Bombay, within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1573 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Municipal C Ward Old Nos. 955(1A), 955(2), 956, 957, 961-962-963-964(1) (2), 965, 966, 967(1), (2), 970, 971, 1174, 1175 and 1184 and Street Nos. 59, 61, 1-2-73-75, 1, 77-79, 1-1A-81-1-2-2A, Lohar Street, 1-15-91-93, 27-29, 31-33 Patak Wadi, 52-54-56-58 and 60 Old Hanuman Street and present Ward Nos. 961, 962 to 967(2) and 956-57, 955 (1A-2), 970-971, 1174-76, 951, Street Nos. 54 to 78, 52 and 45 at Lohar Street and Mangaldas Road and Lohar Street and Kitchen Garden Road and bearing Cadastral Survey Nos. 1/1036 and 1037 of Bhuleshwar Division and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the East by premises being Plots Nos. 107 and 108 belonging to the Vendor, on or towards the West by Mangaldas Road, on or towards the North by Kitchen Garden Lane and on or towards the South by Lohar Chawl Street.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1943.

PANDIA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

3310.

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. ALIMAHOMED K POREBUNDERWALA and KASSUMALLI K. POREBUNDERWALA have contracted to sell for the price of Rs. 57,251|- the undermentioned property to my client Dr. Devendra B. Pandya free from all encumbrances.

ALL PERSONS having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes and to the undersigned at his Office at Bank of India Building, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay, within fourteen (14) days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All those pieces or parcels of land or ground with the messuages or tenements thereon situate, lying and being at Santa Cruz in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District Taluka South Salsette being plots Nos. 21 and part only of 22 in the Santa Cruz Town Planning Scheme No. III, containing by admeasurement 1995 square yards or thereabouts in the said plot No. 21 and 13 square yards or thereabouts in the said part of the said Plot No. 22 and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the North by Plots Nos. 14, 15 and 20 of the said Scheme, on or towards the East by plots Nos. 20 and 23 and on or towards the West and South by a public road called Eighth Road.

Dated this 5th day of February, 1943.

M. I. AMIN,
Purchaser's Advocate
(3312)

Auction Sales

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF OUTSTANDINGS

By order of the Official Assignee of Bombay Messrs. CRAWFORD & CO., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 15th February, 1943, at 3 P. M. (S. T.) at their rooms, 122, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, the right, title and interest of the Insolvent Meyer Nissim in the outstandings against various merchants in Jasalmere Rajputana amounting to Rs. 13628|-.

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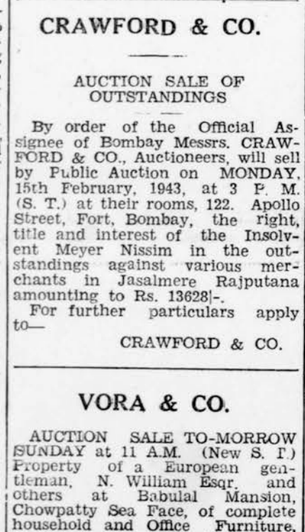

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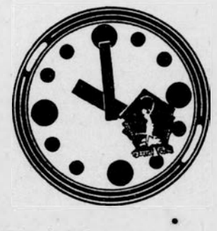

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House Collapse Inquiry Findings

Twelve-point Suggestions To City Builders To Avoid Mishaps

"I cannot help remarking that it is a sad commentary on the apathy of all concerned with building work in a growing city like Bombay that it should have required a tragedy of this magnitude involving a heavy toll of human lives and injuries and distress caused to many others, to make them fully conscious of their responsibilities in relation to the vital problem of house construction."

This observation is made by Mr. B. J. Wadia, Chairman, in the course of his report of the inquiry into the Back Bay Reclamation House collapse. The tragedy occurred on June 28 last.

Mr. B. J. Wadia adds: "I wish to bring home to all who are professionally connected with building work in Bombay namely, architects, R.C. Specialists, building contractors, municipal inspectors, sub-contractors, supervisors and others the seriousness of the responsibilities of the work they undertake."

CAUSES FOR COLLAPSE

Giving their view regarding the causes that led to the collapse the Chairman and the two assessors who assisted him observe: "It is futile merely to suggest that the collapse was a mystery which could not be explained and to leave it at that. Apart from natural causes or enemy action both of which were absent, there remain three main causes which could account for the sudden and precipitate collapse of the building, viz., bad materials, bad workmanship or method of construction and bad design.

WEAK CONCRETE

With regard to the materials the inquiry showed that the concrete was weak due to weak mix or too little cement, dirty sand, excessive water and insufficient curing.

The inquiry also revealed various defects and irregularities in workmanship which were a contributory cause to the collapse. The most serious defect in workmanship was found in the connection between the piles and the pile caps, but in the opinion of the Committee that was not a contributory cause of the collapse, though it would have become a most serious source of trouble at a later stage. Collaboration between the architect and the R.C.C. specialist appeared from the evidence to be poor.

FAULTY DESIGN

With regard to the design it appeared that no attempt had been made by the R. C. C. specialist to design the building frame as a whole. No bending moment due to intentional eccentricities of beams on columns had been taken into account, no calculations whatever had been made with respect to the shear of the beams. A number of columns appeared to have been so designed as to be overstressed under full load conditions. The slabs should have been thicker, and the R. C. C. specialist had not provided bar bending drawings.

In the opinion of the Committee the deficiencies ascertained in the calculations were contributory causes of the collapse in that when the collapse had started at one point they were primarily responsible for the totality of the collapse.

MANNER OF COLLAPSE

Describing the manner of the collapse, the Committee observes that it began with a longitudinal crack that appeared in the hall and dining room on the fifth floor east. That floor at the time was carrying a total load of about 170 lbs. per sq. ft. which must have stressed the concrete, which was then only 25 days old, to about 1,600 lbs. per sq. inch, thus reaching the ultimate strength of the concrete and causing the collapse of the slab.

The failure of the slab led to the caving in of the terrace slab over the hall and dining room. The impact of the terrace floor on the fifth floor caused the failure of the fifth floor beams. The failure of those columns released the columns supporting them from balancing moments and left those columns in a state of serious eccentric loading, which in turn led to the failure of those columns. The process was repeated laterally and vertically. There appeared to be no evidence that the collapse was due to subsoil seismic movement.

FIXING THE RESPONSIBILITY

With regard to the fixing of the responsibility for the collapse, the Committee was of the opinion that the main cause of the collapse being the weakness of the concrete, the architect was mainly responsible for it along with the contractors. He was also responsible along with the contractors for the defects of workmanship. The R.C.C. specialist too was partially responsible for the collapse, though not to the same extent as the other two.

The Bombay Municipality also had a share of the responsibility for lack of proper supervision and inspection and for want of a proper and detailed checking of the R.C.C. plans and calculations from the beginning. Even if the building department of the Municipality was understaffed, that would be really no excuse for their slackness in matters which involved the general safety of the public.

PREVENTION OF MISHAPS

Suggesting measures to prevent the recurrence of such mishaps, the Chairman observes:—(1) The duties of the Architect and of the R.C. specialist should be specifically defined by the Government, in consultation, if necessary, with the Bombay Municipality and the recognised associations of Architects and Engineers.

(2) An R. C. Code should be prepared and published without delay and such code should include rules regarding the submission of detailed plans, specifications and calculations to the Municipality and an effective scrutiny by the Municipality of the same. The building by-laws should make it incumbent on the Owner and Building Contractor to measure cement by weight and to put cement into the mixer in complete bags containing a known weight of cement. No hand-mixed cement should be allowed in reinforced concrete except when permitted by the Municipality. The by-laws should require routine crushing tests on specimens of concrete as put into the work to be made in order to provide a continuous check on the quality of concrete used.

(3) The Municipal building by-laws should provide for a proper inspection of the architectural design, materials and workmanship for a proposed building, without making the Municipality responsible in law for such inspection to the owner of the building or any one else.

(4) The inspection by Architects and R. C. specialists of their respective parts of the construction work should be recorded in a Diary to be kept on the site by Building Contractors and the municipality should have the right to examine the Diary when required. The Building Contractor should also record the progress of the construction work in the same Diary and such record should be open to inspection by the Architect, the R. C. specialist, and the Municipality.

(5) The practising Architects, R. C. Specialists and Building Contractors practising in Bombay prosholld be registered and not "licensed."

(6) The Building Contractor should not be registered without his giving an undertaking to employ on each of his works a competent man with specified technical qualifications.

(7) The Registration should be effected by a Board of Panel consisting of one or more nominees of the Government of the Municipality and of the recognised associations of Architects and Engineers.

(8) There should be on each construction work at least one supervisor who is directly responsible to the Architect and the R. C. specialist and is independent of the Building Contractor and whose salary should not be paid or provided for by the Building Contractor.

(9) The Building Completion Certificate should be signed by the Architect and the R. C Specialist jointly so as to ensure their joint responsibility.

(10) The sub-letting of contracts should be prohibited except by the express permission of the Architect.

(11) The practice of accepting the lowest tender submitted for a work undoubtedly leads to undesirable price cutting and is to be deprecated.

(12) The R. C specialist should be retained by the owner or the Architect and in no case by the Building Contractor.

'ENLARGE ATLANTIC CHARTER' DEMAND IN COMMONS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Feb. 5.

Three Labour front-benchers Messrs. Jim Griffiths, C. G. Ammon and Dr. Grenfell are among the signatories numbering nearly hundred M. P's who intend to ask for a full day's debate on their motion asking Government to make a fresh declaration enlarging the Atlantic Charter and expounding war aims so that peoples of the world—friendly, neutral and enemy alike—may be better informd of the aims for which the United Nations are fighting.

SOLOMONS COMMANDER WINS HIGHEST U. S. AWARD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.

President Roosevelt yesterday conferred the Congressional Medal on Major Gen. Vandergrift of the United States Marine Corps for "outstanding heroic accomplishment" against Japanese forces in the Solomons.

Major Gen. Vandergrift who until recently commanded the United States forces on Guadalcanar is the first American marine to receive the Navy Cross, the highest award that can be conferred on the field and the Congressional Medal, the highest award that can be given by the people of the United States.—Reuter.

U. S. Forces Advancing In Guadalcanar

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

Continued advance of the United States forces in Gudalcanar Island is reported in a Navy communique issued to-day.—Reuter

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5.—"India and Ceylon cannot afford to be bad friends", observed Sir Baron Jayatilaka, Ceylon Government Representative in Delhi, speaking at the 100th meeting of the Delhi Rotary Club last night.

GOLDEN FAWN SHOULD WIN ECLIPSE STAKES

Excellent Chance For Princess Beautiful In Indian Derby

(From Our Racing Correspondent.)

The Eclipse Stakes of India, the Governor's Cup and the Indian Derby are the treble attractions in the programme scheduled to be decided at Mahalaxmi to-day.

The Gaekwar of Baroda's Golden Fawn appears to me a certainty for the Eclipse stakes while Princess Beautiful who is also hailing from the same string has an excellent chance in the Indian Derby.

The Maharaja of Gwalior's Trusty is likely to win the Governor's Cup from Mr. Petit's Pierre.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE:
THAMEEN 1
RABDAN 2
Yisir Al Arab ..... F

2ND RACE:
KING SOLOMON 1
TAMIM AL KHAIR 2
NASSAR ..... F

3RD RACE:
RIGHT BET 1
HIGHLAND SPRIG 2
LOTHARIC ..... F

4TH RACE:
COTE D'AZUR 1
MOSS 2
BLACK MAGIC ..... F

5TH RACE:
TRUSTY 1
PIERRE 2
SHAHENSHA ..... F

6TH RACE:
PRINCESS BEAUTIFUL 1
YESHWANT 2
CHURCHILL ..... F

7TH RACE:
GOLDEN FAWN 1
SITARA 2
GREETINGS ..... F

8TH RACE
EMILY SALMON 1
KING OF SPORTS 2
EXPUNGE ..... F

9TH RACE:
PUKAR 1
DHAYF SHAMMAR 2
JARIR ..... F

DOUBLE EVENT:
RIGHT BET
PRINCESS BEAUTIFUL

TREBLE EVENT:
TRUSTY
GOLDEN FAWN
EMILY SALMON

DARK FLUKES:
METRO
MEHJABIN

WESTERN INDIA TENNIS

The Western India Lawn Tennis Championships commenced on Friday evening at the Bombay Gymkhana Courts, and although the majority of the contests were fairly one-sided affairs, a few keen tussles were witnessed.

The following are the results of the first day's matches:—

V D Lewis w/o C M Khatau; H J H Talyerkhan beat B McQuade 6-2 6-3; K L Mirpuri beat Sgt. F Huller 6-3 8-10 6-1; L M Khatau beat M V Pantulu 5-7 6-4 6-1; S Corder beat N M Demle 4-6 7-5 6-2; P P Khergamwalla beat N K Waltho 6-1 6-0; C J Cooper beat B D Sanghvi 6-0 6-2; N D Karaka beat S B Jhaveri 6-0 6-2; L D Kapadia w/o Major McAndrews; W Richardson beat K M Patnaik 6-1 6-0; J Lawyer beat H D Chowdry 6-3 6-2; S M Mujumdar beat M Sayed 3-6 6-4 6-4; J R Sanghani beat P N Mistry 6-1 6-1; V N Desai beat J M Mehta 7-5 7-5; A Mookerjee beat I A Moloobhai 6-1 6-0; G Ratan beat D A Surve 6-4 1-6 6-1; A M Khory beat G Melnikoff 6-4 6-1; Rev J Tanner beat T Das 6-0 6-0; F Karani beat J P Schnyder 6-3 6-3; P G Gagate beat J Bodhye 6-0 6-0; T Y Chia beat S T Kelkar 6-0 6-1; N Mohanial beat K P Javeri 6-1 6-3; N Balaram beat W Tolley 6-4.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following are the matches for to-day:

Court No. 1 5 p.m. Rev J Tanner v. A M Khory; 5-30 p.m. K E Ghasvala v S A Kaka; and 6 p.m. Miss L M Merchant v Mrs. Rowley-Conwy.

Court No. 2 5 p.m. M F Vakil v D C Bachuwar; 5-30 p.m. Miss L Row v Miss M M Bhat; and 6 p.m. P P Khergamwalla v S Corder.

Court No. 3 5 p.m. P R Vakil v P S Varde; 5-30 p.m. Miss Mehta v Mrs. J Tanner and 6 p.m. Miss L Shivdasani v Miss L Woodbridge.

Court No. 4 5 p.m. R K Sanghani v B G Ghate; 5-30 p.m. A R Gajjar v P N Sarangpani and 6 p.m. S M Mujumdar v Dr T Y Chia.

Court No. 5. 5 p.m. E Rutz v S V Chandavarkar; 5-30 p.m. K B Chaurasia v U H Kulkarni and 6 p.m. P N Pohwalla v R N Bhagwat.

Court No. 6 5 p.m. V N Desai v C J Cooper; 5-30 p.m. L D Kapadia v J Lawyer

Court No. 7 5 p.m. Dr. M Aziz v M R Row; 5-30 p.m. P G Gogate v R Gurshani and 6 p.m. A Mookerjee v L M Khatau.

To play on first available court at 5-30 p.m. R Shastri v C S Iyer; D V Dighe v 'C' Player and Fr. M Aziz or M R Row v N D Karaka.

BOMBAY HOCKEY

Echo Of "Keneddy Incident": Umpires Meet

Fairly heated scenes marked the informal meeting of Hockey Umpires held last evening for the purpose of deciding what move should be adopted by the Bombay Referees should the B.P.H.A. Committee decline to give the apology asked for in their requisition over the "Kennedy incident".

While all the thirty odd referees present were almost unanimously insistent upon the demand for an unqualified apology, about four of them, it is understood, were in favour of modifying the language in which the requisition was couched. On being put to the vote, however, the requisition was allowed to stand in its original form by an overwhelming majority.

The decision of the Managing Committee of the B. P. H. A. in this matter is now keenly awaited at the meeting called for this purpose on Monday next.

Punjab Beats Aligarh

LAHORE: The Punjab University won the north zone final of the Inter-Varsity Hockey Tournament in Lahore when they defeated the Aligarh University in replay by the odd goal in three.

SHE LOVED HORSES TOO MUCH

MADRAS, Feb. 4.

Death by suicide by hanging owing to heavy loss sustained in the races was the verdict recorded at the inquest held over the body of Ethirajamma, aged 35.

Her husband Mr. Srinivasalu Chetti giving evidence at the inquest said that she was a good wife but for her mania for the races. On January 31 his wife came to Madras from Poonamalle to attend the races but did not return home Yesterday morning she was found hanging dead in a house in Park Town, Madras. He had learnt that his wife had pledged an ornament on January 30 and that she had lost over Rs 3,000 in the races.—A. P.

SANGLI: Mr. R. R. Bakhale of the Servants of India Society was elected President of the special session of the Sangli States' Peoples' Parishad to be held at Mangalwadha.—United Press.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 5.

On Thursday the New York cotton market was quietly steady Trading was slow pending Washington farm price developments There was light liquidation of March and hedge selling encountered routine trade price-fixing and New Orleans buying in sympathy with steadiness of grains.

The market opened at a decline of 2 points at 19.74 for March and declined to 19.68 which was the lowest level. Later prices advanced to 19.80 and the market finally closed at a net rise of 7 points to unchanged. Spot cotton prices declined one point at 21.44c. per lb

The New Orleans Cotton futures market was also steady and closed unchanged to 5 points higher. Spot Cotton prices remained unchanged at 20.43c per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. March highest (11-36 a.m.)	19.80+04
N. Y. March lowest (10-2/ a.m.)	19.68—08

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York—Business small Undertone very steady

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Feb. 4.

March	19.76
May	19.54+02
July	19.40+04
October	19.27+07
December	19.24+07
January	19.21+07
Middling spot	21.44—01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Feb 4.

March	20.03
May	19.79+01
July	19.66+03
October	19.49+05
December	19.45+06
Middling spot	20.43

NOON CALL.

New York, Feb 4.

March	19.75
May	19.55
July	19.39

LONDON SILVER.

London, Feb. 4.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD.

London, Feb. 4.

London gold fine per oz	£8-8-0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Feb. 4.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£ 68 3/8
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£32 11/16
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£107 1/4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	£105 1/2
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£115 1/8
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£113 3/4
Chartered Bank of I.A. and China	£8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.)	£67 1/2
National Bank of India	£33 1/8

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Feb. 4.

T T London on:—	
New York sellers 4.02 1/2; buyers	4.03 1/2
Madrid official 40.5	
Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47	
Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4	
Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95	

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Feb. 4.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe Feb-March quoted	26/1 1/2
Wheat Australian Feb-March quoted	28

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Feb. 4.

I.C.C. March highest	432:	lowest	422:
closing 430 1/2			
I.C.C. May highest	436:	lowest	427 1/4;
closing 435.			
I.C.C. July highest	444:	lowest	433 1/2;
closing 441 1/2.			

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

London, Feb. 4.

	This week.
Total bullion	£ 1,197,000
Public deposits	£ 8,100,000
(A) Other deposits	£197,600,000
Government securities	£158,200,000
(B) Other securities	£ 21,200,000
Notes, gold and silver coin	£ 39,900,000
Notes in circulation	£911,300,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	19.40 p.c.
(A) Other deposits include bankers	£139,500,000
(B) Other securities include discounts & advances	£ 4,400,000
Total deposits	£206,700,000
Total securities	£179,400,000

Japs Face Trouble In Rangoon

CALCUTTA, Feb. 5.

The stepping up of the weight of individual bombs dropped by Liberators over Rangoon to half a ton and the continued arrival of more planes are important, as the sign that we intend to intensify air attacks on Burma's only large port, making it as unhealthy as possible for Japanese shipping, writes the "Associated Press" special correspondent.

The dockfront which stretches several miles is good target for heavy bombs, specially with pattern bombing for every bomb counts wherever it hits on the waterfront and the effect on the all-important labour for loading and unloading of ships makes it more difficult for the enemy to send supplies of troops in the heart of Burma further north and Akyab. We have had the disadvantage of Burma advance that the Japanese so far had more power of transport than ourselves and it is a war that can be won more easily on water than on land where the Japanese are adepts in jungle fighting. The more air activity there is, the harder for the enemy river transport to be mobile.—A. P.

Provisions For French North Africa

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

The American Lease-Lend administrator Mr. Edward R. Stettinius (Jr.) stated to-day, "More than 50,000 tons of food and other non-military supplies urgently needed by the people of French North Africa have already been shipped from England to the United States.

At the same time a joint programme has been put into effect for sending about 30,000 tons monthly of non-military supplies from the United States alone in addition to large quantities from Great Britain."

A British convoy diverted to take aid to North Africa, added Mr. Stettinius, included large quantities of wheat flour, canned meat, sugar and soap in addition to potatoes, canned fish, margarine, powdered milk and eggs.

DEVKARAN NANJEE'S NEW ENTERPRISE

It is understood that an investment Company to be called Devkaran Nanjee Investment Company is shortly to be floated by the well-known firm of Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee.

TRADE & FINANCE

INCREASE IN ACTIVE NOTE CIRCULATION

Stock Exchange Fears Further Taxation

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Bombay, Feb. 5.

MONEY:—Conditions in the local short-term money market remained unaltered during the week under review. Day-to day loans were quoted at 1/4 per cent while 3 to 6 months' money was placeable between 3/4 and 1 per cent. per annum. Offerings of funds to be invested in Treasury Bills continued to be high and for the third week in succession the discount rate remained unchanged at Rs. 1-1-10 per cent. per annum, Bills sold on tap during the week amounted to Rs. 4.93 crores.

An increase of Rs. 2.52 crores in the active note circulation is revealed by the statement of the Reserve Bank of India, compiled upto 29th January. The total note issue shows a contraction of Rs. 98.27 lacs. On the assets side, there is no change in the Bank's holding of Gold Coin and Bullion or Sterling Securities, but Rupee Coin is down by Rs. 98.04 lacs. In the Banking Department, Govt. Deposits register a substantial rise of Rs. 18.56 crores, whereas Bank's Deposits have declined by Rs. 6.53 crores. Balances held abroad are up by Rs 16.07 crores. Loans and Advances to Governments show a fall of Rs. 44 lacs.

The statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India for the week ended 29th January 1943 discloses a drop of Rs. 96.30 lacs in all kinds of Deposits The Investment portfolio reveals a rise of Rs. 3.75 crores whereas the item of 'Advances' shows an increase of Rs. 1.17 crores. The Bank's holding of Cash is depleted to the extent of Rs. 5.90 crores*

GILT-EDGED:—The local gilt-edged market was dull and inactive during the week under review Values of most securities showed little or no change and the turnover was modest. 3 1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper was stagnant at Rs. 94 all through the week Among other dated scrips 2 3/4 per cent. 1948/52 loan was static at Rs. 99-2, 3 per cent 1946 bonds at Rs. 102/15 and 3 per cent. 1963/65 loan at Rs. 95/8. 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 loan closed unchanged at Rs. 103/15, 4 per cent. 1943 bonds at Rs. 101/5 and 4 1/2 per cent. 1955/60 loan at Rs. 114. 4 per cent. 1960/70 loan was quoted a shade better at Rs. 110/7, whilst stray transactions were reported in 5 per cent. 1945/55 (tax free) loan at Rs. 106/5.

EXCHANGE:—There were no new features to report in the local rupee/sterling exchange market which continued to rule idle but steady with no change in rates. For intermediate business, sellers of spot T T on London quoted 1s 5 31/32d and buyers 1s 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers of T T on London (spot and upto six months) ... 1s 5 31/32d.

Buyers of T T on London (spot and upto six months) ... 1s 6 1/32d

The sterling-dollar cross-rate remained fixed at 403.75 cents during the week.

GOLD:—Continued good news from all the theatres of war combined with a decline in the up-country demand for the yellow metal was responsible for a slight setback in gold prices which had registered a downward trend noticed in the case of silver during the previous month. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 66-1 at the opening, but dropped to Rs 64-11 on Tuesday. Towards the close, there was a hardening of rates, which went up to Rs. 65-8 in sympathy with the rise in silver prices. Inquiry for sovereigns was on a reduced scale and the price of the coin varied narrowly between Rs. 47-2 and Rs 47-8. Stocks of the metal are estimated to be about 125,000 tolas; arrivals from up-country are said to have averaged about 5,000 tolas a day; whilst the average daily offtake is put at 3,000 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 65-11 and Rs. 64-11 for spot and Rs. 65-9 and Rs 64-8 for March settlement

SILVER:—The easier trend in silver, which was noticeable at the close of the previous week was accentuated in the earlier part of the week in sympathy with the fall in gold prices. From Rs. 101-6-6 at the opening spot silver of .999 fineness declined to Rs. 99-12-6 on Tuesday but covering by bears pushed up the price to Rs. 101-7 on Thursday. At the close, the rate stood at Rs 100-14. March settlement silver was quoted at a discount of about Rs. 2 under spot. Ready silver of 916 fineness was quoted about 4 annas under March settlement. In London, both cash and forward silver continued to be quoted at 23 1/2d. Floating stocks of the metal are estimated to be about 1,500 bars. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 101-8 and Rs. 99-12-6 for spot and Rs. 99-8 and Rs. 97-12 for March settlement.

SHARES:—Uncertainty about the ensuing budget loomed large in the local share market where the general tendency was to keep clear till the pre-budget period is over. Fears of further taxation due to the increasing defence costs, which would fall upon the shoulders of the industries and affect industrial profits, was the main factor which governed the stock market during the week. The market opened firm, but subsequently suffered a setback on profit-taking The volume of turnover was fairly large.

Tata Deferreds, after opening higher at Rs. 177-8, gradually slid down to Rs. 176-4, whilst Ordinaries, which were quoted at Rs. 356-8 mid-week, were inclined to be offered at Rs. 356-8 at the finish. In the cotton mill section Bombay Dyeings steadily tapered down from Rs. 1760 to Rs. 1725; Century lost ground from Rs. 666 to Rs. 649 and Central Indias were offered at Rs. 409 as compared with the opening level of Rs. 422. Colabas, on the other hand, fared better during the week, being quoted at as high as Rs. 269, but declined and closed slightly above the previous weeks closing level. Kohinoors were bid up from Rs. 660 to Rs. 678 early in the week but closed lower at Rs. 664. New Greats ruled steady around Rs. 402, whereas Swadeshis were quoted lower at Rs. 582 as against last week's quotation of Rs. 593. Public Utility shares ruled steady to dull throughout the week with a limited business passing; Andra Valleys were somewhat better at Rs. 1785, but Tata Powers were quoted slightly lower at Rs. 1670. Tata Hydros and Bombay Trams receded to Rs. 184 and Rs. 144 respectively. Bank shares showed a firmer tendency on good investment support. Central Banks were quoted about 2 points higher at Rs. 61-12; Bank of Indias were placed at Rs. 166 and Reserve Banks at Rs. 106-4 Imperial Bank Fully Paids were in request at Rs. 1691-4 and Partly Paids at Rs. 413-12. In the miscellaneous section price variations were narrow and the general trend was downward; Associated Cements dropped from Rs. 217 to Rs. 207-8 at the end, whereas Belapurs stood a fraction lower at Rs. 228. Bombay Burmas, on the other hand, were well-maintained at Rs. 370. Scindia Steams deteriorated steadily from Rs. 26-2 to Rs. 25-6 at the close, whilst New Indias, after touching Rs. 62 mid-week, declined and closed almost the opening level.

CALCUTTA:—Jute shares in the Calcutta market recorded further gains on continued investment support. The undertone of the market remained fairly steady throughout and the volume of business was large.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Feb. 5.

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/5 5/16 Four Months
B C Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32

LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4

LONDON/BERLIN—
Banks selling T T Fcs 125 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2

LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128

MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs. 62.04

LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom D D Ecs 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55

AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady, dull.
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready. 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money:—Call one and two months 1/4 per cent
3 to 9 months 1/2 per cent
10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent
Tone:—Better enquiry.

Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 29th January, 1943.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
CAPITAL	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	5,75,00,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	165,20,52,000
Sundries	70,84,000
Total Rs.	177,28,86,000

ASSETS	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—	
Government Securities	121,75,29,000
Other Authorised Investments	1,30,93,000
ADVANCES:—	
Loans	9,08,36,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	15,98,38,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	3,31,77,000
Dead Stock	1,74,01,000
Sundries	89,65,000
CASH:—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	20,22,76,000
Balances with other Banks	2,97,71,000
Total Rs.	177,28,86,000

Madras Stock Exchange

MADRAS, Feb. 5.

Following are the closing quotations:—

Breweries and Sugars; Deccan Big 255; Deccan Small 61; India Sugar 11/14 xd; Mysore Sugar 61; South India 12/8; Travancore 14/8.

Plantings: Cochin Malabar 15/12 cd; Chembra Peaks 10/8; Coorg 63/4; High Produce 43/4; Kalpettas 43; Kalasa 13/10; Malankara 83; Midland 16/14; Ouchterlony 11/8; Peermade 43/4; Travancore 26; Vaikundam 19; Vellamalai 23/10; Vellitam 38; Woodlands 16/8.

Textiles: B and C ord 292/8; Cambodia 34/8; Coimbatore Spg 270; Dhanalaxmi 525; Janardhana 195; Kaleeswarar 610; Kothari Tex 25; Lakshmi 240; Lakshmi New — 125; Mettur 288; Madura 68; Palani Andavar 255; Read 225; Rajalakshmi 325; Rangavilas 150; Vasantha 334.

Miscellaneous: Andhra Cement 86; India St. Roll 7/6; Madras Safe 40; Mysore Lamps 25/12; Mysore Chem and Fert 24; Mysore Paper 21/12; Mysore Mach. 9/8; Mettur Chem 3/4; Mettur defds 7/12; Spencer 9.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH.

New York, Feb. 5.

Previous closing	19.76
To-day's opening	19.74
Difference	—.02

CROSS RATES

T T NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Feb. 5.

Previous closing	4.03
To-day's opening	not received

T. T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Feb. 5.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 5.

London Gold	(£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb. 5.

Spot (23 1/2d)	23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d)	23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, Feb. 5.

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 31/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers

New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.

4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.

6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Feb. 5.

General Motors (dol: 46 1/4)	dol 45 3/8
Anaconda Copper (unquoted)	dol 26 3/8
U. S Steel Common (dol 50 1/8)	dol 50 3/8
U. S Steel Preference (unquoted)	unquoted

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS

London, Feb. 5.

Castorseeds Bombay February/March (£35) £35 quoted

Linseed Calcutta February/March (£26) £26 quoted

Linseed La Plata February/March unquoted

Groundnut Coromandal February/March

East Coast Indian shipment (£30 1/2 quoted) £30 1/2 quoted. West Coast Indian shipment (£31 1/2) £31 1/2 quoted

LONDON METALS

London Feb. 5.

Electric Copper (£62) £62

Lead (£25 £25

Glasgow Iron No 3 (13) sh) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 5.

The London Stock Exchange was quiet to-day.

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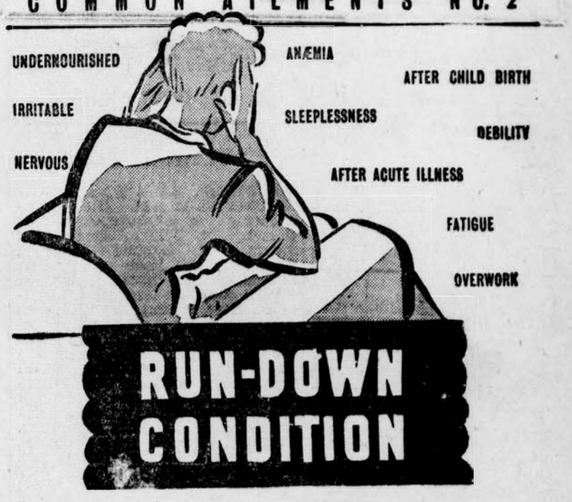

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City And Suburbs

TO-DAY

Hindu: Magh Shud 2, 1999
Muslim: Moharrum 30, 1362
Parsi: Shehrever 5, 1312
Sunrise: 6-13 a.m. Sunset: 7-33 p.m.
Hightide: 0-53, 12-56, Lowtide: 7-07, 18-58

AMUSEMENTS

NOVELTY—"Haso-Haso" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m To-day and to-morrow 2 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sharda" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m. To day and to-morrow 2-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar" 4-15, 7 and 9-4-p.m. To-day and to-morrow 1-30 p.m.
METRO—"Tortila Flat" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
SWASTIK—"Jawani" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m
BROADWAY—"Masoom" 4-30, 7-15 and 1 p.m. To-day and to-morrow 1-45 p.m.
REGAL—"The Palmbeach Story" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m
CAPITOL—"One Day in Soviet Russia" 4 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"To Be Or Not To Be" 3-30 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"They Flew Alone" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m
STRAND—"Rich Man, Poor Girl" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
LIGHT HOUSE—"Two-Gun Cuvid" 4-30 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Pukar" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Lady Hamilton" 4, 6-30 and 10
CHITRA—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m To-morrow 11-45 a.m. only.
AURORA—"International Squadron" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m To-day and to-morrow 1 p.m.
NEW WEST-END—"Zamindar" 3, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Surdas" 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m. To-day and to-morrow 2-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Prarthana" 4, 7 and 10 p. m. To-day and to-morrow 1 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p m. To-morrow 12-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Kismat" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m To-day and to-morrow 1 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Punarmilan" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. To-day and to-morrow 2 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Chandni" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. To-day and to-morrow 1-45 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10 p m. To-day and to-morrow 1 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m. To-day and to-morrow 1 p.m.

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION: Swami Sambuddhanandaji will speak to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, in English on "Vedanta Philosophy" (Brahma Sutra).

BAND AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS, BYCULLA: The Band of St. Mary High School will play a programme of music at the Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay, to day (Saturday) commencing from 6-30 to 8-30 p.m. (S.T.).

RAMAKRISHNA VIVEKANANDA CENTRE, DADAR: Swami Sambuddhananda of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, will give a religious discourse on "Isha Upanishad" to-day (Saturday) at the centre premises 64 Portuguese Church Street, Dadar.

SCIENCE LECTURE: Mr. Kanekar will speak on "Chlorine" in the R.I.S. Ground Floor, Room No. 2 to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

FREEDOM GROUP: Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle" will meet the Freedom Group at the Industrial Insurance Building, 1st Floor, Churchgate, to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m.

BOMBAY SPIRITUAL CENTRE: Mr. D. V. Sabnis, will speak on "Jnaneshwari" to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m.

A MUSIC CONCERT: There will be a classical music concert at Nappoo Hall at 9-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) by Pandit Prabhanker B Nipanikar.

V. J. T. INSTITUTE: Eighth social gathering will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. at the Institute, when Mr. Golwala will preside.

BOMBAY MUSIC CIRCLE: Bai Saraswatibai Mane—Classical and light Indian music and "Ustad" Wahid Khan of Itawa, Sitarnawaz on Kachhawabin—Alap and Sitar Gut will replace the artistes previously announced at the concert on Sunday, February 7 at 4 p.m., Laxmi Baug Hall.

FIRST-AID SIMPLIFIED: Under the auspices of Servants of Humanity Centre, St. John Ambulance Association, 16 lectures by Mr. Burjor J. Shroff commence from February 10, are arranged on Wednesdays and Fridays at 6-30 p.m. at Tardeo Zarthoshti Mandal Store Office, near Tata Colony. Intending ladies and gentlemen may register names in advance. Subject: "Inner Mechanism of Human Body and Its Mysterious Rhythmic Functions."

WARDHA RASHTRABHASHA EXAMINATION: The Secretary, Hindi Prachar Sabha Bombay, writes:—The Rashtra Bhasha Prachar Examination of the Rashtra Bhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha, which could not be held last August will be held on Saturday and Sunday, 6th and 7th February and Kovid Examination on 10th and 11th February, 1943, from 11-30 to 6-30 p.m. Pravesh Oral on Saturday, 6th February from 4 p.m., Parichaya and Kovid oral on Sunday, 7th February from 4 p.m. There are 15 different centres in Bombay.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS: The Governor of Bombay visited Lodge Sir Lawrence Jenkins at its Installation Meeting at the Freemasons Hall.

26TH SIND ARYA SAMMELAN: The 26th Sind Arya Sammelan takes place at Shikarpur from 19th to 22nd February. It will be presided over by Shree Raja Shambhu Jaidev of Bijwara District Lakhimpur Kheri (U.P.). Along with the main conference, Shudh Ahar Sammelan, Dilatodhar Sammelan, Swabhasha Sammelan will also be held.

The meeting of Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Sind will be held on 20th and 21st February

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Telegrams to Madras, Karachi, Agra, Lahore and their adjacent areas are subject to serious delay due to congestion and line disturbances.

A MUSICAL FEATURE.

All-India Radio, Bombay will broadcast a touching Hindustani musical feature, entitled, "Bhikaran" at 10-10 p.m. on Sunday the 7th February.

The third session of the All-India Manufacturers' Conference will be held at Baroda on February 13 and 14. Sir M. Visvesweravya will preside.

A LADIES' (?) DAY AT THE GOVT. GRAIN SHOP.

INDIAN DESIGNS SCORE IN CALENDARS

Several Posters Of High Order In Art In Industry Exhibition

The Art in Industry Exhibition at the Sir J. J. School of Art is an impressive display of commercial art in its varied aspects. It demonstrates the values of well designed posters, packing, show cards etc.,—the artistic ways of advertisement and emphasises the fact that the prosperity of industry depends, to no small extent, upon soundness of advertisement. Since India has, in recent years, focused her attention on industrial progress, the exhibition which aims at raising commercial art in the esteem of the public and at impressing upon the industrialists the necessity of exploiting the resources of the same happens to be an opportune movement.

The posters engage the maximum attention of the observer, particularly those of Mr. V. P. Borkar (Bombay). Mr. Vinode Karmarkar (Calcutta) and Mr. T. S. Mani (Bombay school), "Grow More Food"—the campaign of the Government of Bombay—is vividly illustrated in several posters. Here one finds the Indian atmosphere attempted by a new artist. Mr. Chandra Nath Dey (Calcutta) among them secures for his exhibit (100) the first prize and also the "Wimco Prize for entry with maximum Indian atmosphere and appeal." The Technical Training Scheme posters are comparatively few. Mr. W. V. Jangi (Bombay) and Mr. Thomas Pereira (Bombay School) respectively get the merited first and second awards.

Some of the industrial posters are obviously of high order. Mr. V. H. Rajiwadkar's Cement (270) and Mahaluxmi Cotton Mills exhibits (231 and 232) and Mr. W. V. Jangi's exhibit (267) are remarkable for the boldness of execution and the directness of the appeal. The Bata group of posters and the section of hoarding also present a few interesting designs. Some material in the poster-section is of high standard and is sufficient to illustrate how industry can make its appeal effective through the medium of art.

Indian designs are a striking note of the Calendars. The outstanding among them is Mr. A. M. Jamil's exhibit (478). The sections devoted to show-cards, lettering, cinema slides, packing, press and greeting cards do not balance the posters as regards the quantity as well as the quality of the exhibits. Art actually enters into industry in the "Textile Designs". The entries are large in number and show some fine specimens on close inspection.

Commercial art is not a stranger to Bombay. Its vocational possibilities were realised by the Government of Bombay seven years ago and a separate section was added by them to the Sir J. J. School of Art. The progress, so far recorded by the section is clearly reflected by the success achieved by its past and present students in the exhibition. Mr. V. H. Rajiwadkar among the former is conspicuous by his exhibits on the different screens. He carries more than one prize and shares with Mr. A. M. Jamil—a student in the Fine Art section of the school—the "B. C. Lam prize of Rs. 500 for the best entry."

D. G. V.

A. R. P. Lectures To Start On Feb. 9

Lectures on A. R. P. instructor's course of the St. John Ambulance Association will be delivered by Mr. C. G. Vakil, advocate, under the auspices of the Parsi Ambulance Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas, at the Lady Willingdon Building, opposite Metro Cinema, corner of the Esplanade Maidan from February 9 at 6-30 p.m.

The class will meet every Tuesday and Thursday at 6-30 p.m. The course consists of about 12 lectures on general and local organisation of A.R.P. services.

The class is open to all including women. Names are being registered on personal application at the Lady Willingdon Building every evening from 6 to 7 p.m.

Goa Marathi Literary Conference

The second session of the Goa Marathi Literary Conference will be held to-day and to-morrow, in the Chikitsak Samooha High School, Wagle Hall, Kandewadi, under the presidentship of Mr. Laxmanshastri Joshi, Tarkateerth. Mr. Yeshwantrao Sardesai has been elected as the Chairman of the Reception Committee.

On behalf of the Conference distinguished and famous Goan Artists like Vazebuwa, Sculptor Kamat, Mrs. Kesharbai Kerkar, Cameraman Naik and others will be honoured under the presidentship of Mr. N. G. Kelkar, on Sunday at 4 p.m. The leading Marathi authors and editors will take part in the debate on "The fiction produced by the Goan authors is obscene" on Sunday at 9 a.m.

New Paper Manufacturing Company

BOMBAY, Friday.

Messrs. Mavil Ltd., a new firm in the city for the manufacture of paper products was declared open by Mr. H. M. Gurbaxani at the Taj Mahal Hotel, before a large gathering. The firm intends to manufacture raw paper, toilet paper, high class rapping paper and various other paper products.

Mr. Gurbaxani congratulated the young organisers of the firm for their new enterprise and cautioned them against reckless risk. Mr. P. L. Sanmukhani, the managing director appealed to all present for their kind patronage.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY FEB. 6.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)
5 p.m. Ghazalen. geet aur bhajan. 5-15 Mashuq Ali Khan. 5-25 Multani on sarangi. 5-35 Gulab Bai. 5-45 Dilip Chander Vedi. 6-5 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 6-45 Mashuq Ali Khan. 7 Raftar-I-Zamana. 7-15 Farhat Jahan Bibbo, 7-25 Thumri on sarangi. 7-30 the Twain shall meet—3 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 Dhol Ka Pol. 8-45 Delhi radio orchestra. 9-30 B B C news. 9-45 Dilip Chander Vedi. 10 "Badsurat Rajkumari" 10-30 Ghulam Qadir: 10-45 Ghazal, geet aur filmi gane.

Bombay II—Programme.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)
Bombay 2 on 61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s.)
8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Delhi 2. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 to 8-50 As in Delhi 2. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 to 10 As in Delhi 2.

Bombay 2 on 41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s).
12 to 12-45 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-45 News in Marathi. 12-50 News in Gujarati, 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

Bombay 2 on 49.3 metres (6,085 kc/s.)
5 To-morrow. 5-5 A variety. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Bachchon ke liye. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-45 Southern army follies. 7-15 Geets. 7-30 Commercial News. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Sandese. 8-20 Sindhi songs. 8-30 "Let's get together" 8-45 Recorded messages 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 Famous Indian Regiments. 10 Lauder. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Chinese Consul-General Returns

CALCUTTA, Feb. 5.

Dr. C. J. Pao, Chinese Consul-General who recently flew to Chungking returned to Calcutta yesterday. Dr. Pao, it is understood acquainted Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek with the conditions of India.—United Press.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER

The following individual members and trade Associations have been co-opted on the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber for the year 1943:—

Individual members: Sir Cowasji Jehangir; Sir Chunilal V. Mehta; Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola.

Association-Members and their representatives: The Grain Merchants' Association (Sheth Khimji Shamji); The Bombay Shroff Association (Mr. Jayantilal M. Shah); The Bombay Bullion Exchange, Ltd. (Mr. Lachhmandas H. Daga); The Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce (Mr. M. L. Dahanukar); The Bombay Grain Dealers' Association (Mr. Khimji Madan Bhujpuria); The Seeds Traders' Association (Mr. Ramdas Kilachand); The Indian Insurance Companies' Association (Mr. Mathuradas Dwarkadas); The Bombay Rice Merchants' Association (Mr. Mahomedhusein H. Premji); The Bombay Iron Merchants' Association (Mr. A. A. Jasdanwala); The Chamber of Income-Tax Consultants (Mr. Bhogilal C. Shah); The Indian National Steamship Owners' Association (Mr. Ratanchand Hirachand); The Bombay Cotton Merchants and Muccadam Association (Mr. Purshotamdas H. Shah); The Indian Motion Picture Producers' Association (Mr. M. B. Billimoria); The Silk and Art Silk Mills' Association (Mr. Ramdeo A. Podar); The Association of Electrical Undertakings, Bombay Province (Mr. N. C. Jhaveri) and Association of Indian Importers of Dyestuffs (Mr. K. H. Kabbur).

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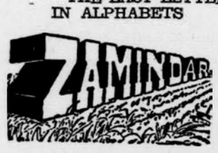

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NEW DEVELOPMENTS

When Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal envoy in India, was asked various questions on the Indian situation at a press conference at Lahore, his replies were not very reassuring, but they had the merit of being frank and clear, and not equivocal. Confronted with any inconvenient question he said he was not in a position to answer it at present, as his main object now was to study India and report his impressions to President Roosevelt. Some questions he hoped to be able to answer at a later stage; but when asked if the Atlantic Charter would apply to India, he replied definitely: "I am not in a position to answer this question." This means, either that America's answer to the question is still uncertain or that, though certain, it is not expedient for him to clarify it at present. America's attitude may or may not be one of indifference on this point. But one cannot but feel that it is not good for India to rely unduly on the good offices of countries like America in achieving her freedom.

A New Page

A gratifying feature of Mr. Phillips' visit is that he seems to have insisted on interviewing prominent Congress leaders, even though prisoners. Thus Lala Dunichand of Ambala, a Congress member of the Punjab Assembly, was specially permitted by the Punjab Government to go to Lahore from Ambala where he is interned and to interview Mr. Phillips at Government House. We expect Mr. Phillips will also be able to interview other Congress leaders including Gandhiji, the Congress President, and Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru. He may or may not be impressed by their views. But without them he cannot understand the Indian situation. We are glad Mr. Phillips is meeting Mr. C Rajagopalachariar also Lala Dunichand is reported to have submitted a memorandum to Mr. Phillips. Other Congress leaders should do likewise either separately or collectively, so as to leave no room for their talks being misunderstood by Mr. Phillips. If by any chance Mr. Phillips is not allowed interviews with leaders like Gandhiji on any pretext, he will from that very fact learn things which reams of reports may not convey to him. The first political interview with a Congress prisoner since the commencement of the latest repressive regime opens a new page in its history and the developments will be watched with interest.

Need For National Government

The favourable turn that has come at long last in the war, the intolerableness of the deadlock in India and the attempts that are being made to bring about a communal settlement are inducing men to take a more optimistic view of the near future, both in India and abroad. Mr. B. Sambamurti, ex-Speaker of the Madras Assembly, goes so far as to feel confident that a provisional national Government with adequate powers will be established in this country before the end of the current year. He bases his confidence on "the subtle and unseen but compelling forces working in the world." The growing influence of Russia and China in international politics is certainly one of these forces and one most useful to India. But they may prove ineffective with regard to India unless the people make a united effort to make the most of them at the peace negotiations, which cannot now be long in coming. Only a National Government now will give us a position of influence in those negotiations.

Indians In Ceylon

Some of the Ministers of the Ceylon Government would appear to be past masters in the art of blowing hot and cold to suit the occasions. We saw how, while Sir Baron Jayatilaka, former Chief Minister and now Agent of the Ceylon Government, is engaged in negotiating with the Government of India for the despatch of twenty thousand Indian labourers to Ceylon without offering the latter any guarantees for their enjoyment of full civic rights, the State Council staged a transparent camouflage in the shape of a protest against the importation of such labour into the island. Obviously Sir Baron knows his masters too well to give up his efforts to persuade officialdom at New Delhi to consent to the despatch of Indian labourers. Mr. D. S. Senanayake, Minister of Agriculture and Lands and Leader of the House as well as of the anti-Indian movement in Ceylon, who had boastingly told a member of the Indian delegation to Ceylon not long ago, "We shall rather not develop those vast undeveloped spaces in Ceylon than develop them with the help of Indian labour", gave evidence of the double role he has been playing when he expressed himself surprised that the Council should protest against the importation of Indian labour. The latest turn of this quick-change artist is flatly to deny that Sir Baron Jayatilaka was authorised by his Government to negotiate for Indian labour. He stated in the State Council on the 29th February that "Sir Baron had not been instructed to recruit labour from India". If this be a fact, the public of India are entitled to ask on whose behalf this worthy has been secretly negotiating with the Government of India for Indian labour. Has he become a recruiting agent for British and other rubber planters? It is surprising that the Overseas Department presided over by the Hon. Mr. Aney should agree to listen to the overtures of one whose official capacity in this connection has been repudiated by the Government of Ceylon. The Department owes an explanation to the Indian public in this matter.

Mr. Senanayake and some of his colleagues who are very anxious that India should send large supplies of rice to Ceylon, and who, in this connection, have been dwelling on the friendly feelings which they and their countrymen have always cherished towards Indians, have not hesitated to penalise in a most unfair manner Indian businessmen resident in the island who have been carrying on their trade in a very peaceful manner for years past. In order to secure the elimination of as many Indian textile merchants from Ceylon as possible, the following new clause is sought to be incorporated in the Regulations for the Control of Textiles:

"Any bona-fide dealer who carried on his business on the first day of July 1941, and remained in the business on the first day of October 1942 with or without temporary interruption in April to September, 1942, and who has not been debarred from obtaining a licence .....shall be eligible for a licence, subject to the Controller's discretion.....Provided that the controller may at his discretion licence any dealer who is not so eligible, if the Controller is satisfied that such dealer meets the needs of consumers, and has not acted against the public interest in the course of business since the first day of June, 1942".

Though there is no specific mention of Indian dealers in this new clause, these dealers entertain the genuine fear that the discretion given to the controller to withhold licences will be exercised by him to the detriment of Indians in particular. It requires to be recalled in this connection that when Colombo was being bombed by Japanese aircraft in the latter half of the year 1942 several Indian merchants, like their Ceylonese confreres found it necessary to close their business in that city and some of them sought safety in India. There could be nothing derogatory to their sense of patriotism or their public spirit in such conduct. The Governor of Ceylon himself had advised that such as could conveniently move out of the danger area should do so. But now the Ceylon Government at the instigation of the anti-Indian element therein, is seeking to take unfair advantage of the opportunity afforded by the incident to drive out the Indian textile dealers from the field. If there is no such intention on the part of the Government, it should immediately give a clear undertaking that no discrimination of any sort will be resorted to against Indians when they apply for licences under the new Regulations.

The Ceylon Government would be well advised not to indulge in pinpricks against Indian nationals which can only further embitter the relations between their country and India. Only the other day Mr. Senanayake, making a statement in the State Council on the food situation in the island, expressed the hope that the good example of Australia, which had sent vast quantities of flour to Ceylon, "would be followed by Mother India towards her daughter Ceylon". Mr. Senanayake and his colleagues who in one breath plead with "Mother India" to help her "daughter" in the latter's hour of need, should not indulge in kicks and vituperations against the "Mother" in another breath, when the particular need has been met. Such a foolish policy will not pay in the end. They should realise that the vital interests of the two countries are identical and permanent and that there should be no room in their relations for mutual jealousies and recriminations.

Frankly Speaking

Beaverbrook's Revelations

The disclosure made by Lord Beaverbrook regarding the extent of the help rendered by the United States and Britain to Soviet Russia, by way of supplies of tanks and aircraft, during 1942, will come as a surprise to many. Lord Beaverbrook quoted the figures supplied by the U. S. Lease-Lend Administrator Mr. Stettinius, to show that Britain and the United States together had sent to Russia up to the end of last year 5,800 tanks and 4,600 teroplanes, though in 1942 the United States produced the huge total of 50,000 aircraft and the production of December alone reached the figure of 5,000 aircraft. These tell-tale figures were not challenged by Lord Portal, the spokesman of the British Government in the House of Lords, but still he maintained that these supplies to Russia were "substantial!" Evidently ordinary dictionary meanings of words lose their values when these words are used by Ministers who find themselves in tight corners. It should not be forgotten that throughout last year Russia was engaged in a life-and-death struggle with her bitterest enemy and had to conduct that struggle single-handed. Though, when her fate was trembling in the balance, she sent out S. O. S. more than once, her allies, for reasons best known to themselves, failed to open a second front for Hitler in Western or Southern Europe. It is true that a couple of months ago they created a diversion for the Nazi High Command by landing an American expeditionary force in North Africa, but it was not only very late but also too inadequate to affect the fortunes of the struggle in Russia. To the eternal glory of the Soviet, however, the Red Army has been able, virtually without the assistance of any of her allies, to hurl back the enemy hordes—or what are left of them—from thousands of square miles of her territory and is still engaged in delivering knock-out blows on the enemy in every direction.

Deplorable

No satisfactory explanation has been given so far for the inadequacy of the aid rendered to Russia by the United States and Britain. It would appear that the major portion of the supplies from America are sent not direct but through Great Britain under the Lease-Lend arrangements. So, it would be mostly for the British Government to throw light on the failure to render timely and sufficient assistance to Russia in her hour of need. The spokesman of the Government has held out an assurance that Britain, "would do the utmost to increase the flow by every means on every route'. Such assurances were held out by both the British and Governments in the past, but it is hoped in the coming months at least the supplies to Russia will be really adequate to meet her needs. President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill proclaimed the other day from Casablanca that they, on behalf of the United Nations, were engaged in planning for the "total surrender" of the enemy. And yet, beyond sending formal invitations to Stalin and Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek, they did not deem it necessary to invite any other representatives of the Russian and Chinese Governments to join them in their deliberations. Lord Beaverbrook's revelations in the House of Lords and Mr. Shinwell's questions in the House of Commons and the unsatisfactory replies given by the spokesmen of the Government to both of them disclose a state of things which cannot but be regarded as deplorable.

Wanted An Inquiry

We should like to know if there has been any police inquiry into the suicide committed by Mr. B. P. Karnik in the Poona police station. Mr. Karnik was brought there for "interrogation" after an alleged recovery of some chemicals from his residence, and he is reported to have committed suicide by taking poison. Was he not examined when he was brought to the police station with a view to finding out if he had on his person any chemicals? Had the "interrogation" commenced before he committed suicide? Could the suicide be due to a desire to escape interrogation? These questions need to be inquired into.

A Judge's Strictures

The term "interrogation" recalls to one's mind the severe strictures passed by Mr. Justice Mahomed Munis of the Lahore High Court when he dismissed the revisional petition of Iqbal Krishan, Sub-Inspector of Gurgaon Police who had been sentenced to one year's R.I. by the Additional District Magistrate on charges of wrongful confinement. In this case the suspect had denied his offence but the police officer, though he had discovered no further material or incriminating circumstances against him, required him to attend the "investigation" day after day and kept him on attendance for hours together, without doing anything more than questioning him whether he had committed the offence or not. "It is ridiculous", said the Judge, "to describe this method interrogation." He added that the presence of the suspect in these circumstances tended to suggest that "some third degree method is being used by the police." Worse "third degree" methods are still being adopted in India on a large scale and pass for "interrogation" except when they are exposed.

Recruits And Supplies

A well-informed and reliable correspondent informs us that, when a deputation from several talukas in the Ratnagiri District met the District Magistrate and appealed for better food supplies for the villages, the Magistrate replied that he had no better supplies but that, if he were promised 500 recruits from Vengurla Taluka, he would try and get more supplies for the taluka. If the facts are as stated, the Magistrate should be asked by the higher authorities not to bring recruiting into contempt by his policy of making supplies dependent on the number of recruits coming forward rather than on the needs of the people.

Famine In Bijapur

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

(By G. R. JAHAGIRDAR)

Jawar, Jawar, Jawar is the cry heard from the every corner of the District of Bijapur, which at one time produced Jawar sufficient not only for the district, but enough to export to neighbouring districts. There has been a scanty rainfall for the last ten years. Matters came to a head in 1936-37 when the Government of Bombay being alarmed at the situation spent large amounts to relieve the district. Nearly 40 lakhs were spent in that year. At that time Mr. Hanamantrao Kowjalgi represented matters to Government and before the situation became regularly menacing, the relief was available.

Remedies

The problem of meeting famine situation in Bijapur District has become an abiding problem. With beneficent Tagavi loans, with all the relief works undertaken to meet the periodical scarcity, with all the mettle breaking works under the supervision of the P. W. Department the financial position of a rayat has not improved a bit. In 1936-37, the Government of Bombay spent about 40 lakhs. Is it not in vain! The village approach roads were made last time. What became of them? Have they contributed to improve the position if of a rayat? Then what permanent use has it in the life of a rayat? It tides over the difficulty. This aspect cannot be minimised. But is it all that can be done for him?

Bijapur is essentially a dry tract; only dry crops are raised there. In addition to the tagai loan to competent agriculturists, Government should select an area wherein the famine is most likely on shortage of rain, and there with Government machinery set up bunding with no liability on the owner of the land. Year by year this programme should be undertaken and in course of four or five years one tract will be completely free from the dread of famine because the new lending scheme is meant to store up whatever little moisture would be available.

Deepening Of Wells

In certain areas of Indi-Sendgi Talukas, the irrigated crops are withering away as the water supply is not sufficient. In such cases Government officials should immediately sanction the amount for deepening the wells. It will serve a double purpose. It will meet the demand for drinking water supply and also save the crops. The complaints are being heard in the district that blasting powder is not made available owing to cancellation of license. The blasting powder must be made easily available in Taluka places.

Cottage Industries

The problem of supplementing the income of the agriculturists especially during lean years must be very seriously tackled. Government should now encourage spinning. This is most favourable time both for Government and A.I.S.A. to move briskly in the matter. The price of the mill cloth has increased threefold.

Tagavi Forfeiture

Another serious problem for the agriculturist is the threat of forfeiture of lands for Tagavi dues. If the land for which the Tagavi is taken is not able to meet the demand of Tagavi, either the land is not capable of improvement; or it is not properly improved. When there is a certification of the revenue officers that the work is done; and the agriculturist is not able to meet the demand, then it must be taken that Tagavi was misspent and it should be written off as a bad debt. Just as the mortgagees is not entitled to improve away the properties, so also, the Tagavi should not be allowed to use for the forfeiture of lands.

Cattle Problem

Bijapur holds a Sunday Bazar. At the end of the day when there were no bidders for the cattle there were cases when the cattle was sold 4 rupees a piece. In the event of the cattle being sold away for the purpose of slaughtering, the coming year will feel the dearth of cattle useful for agricultural purpose. A new scheme for keeping the cattle within limits should be improvised. Instead of giving fodder to agriculturist which they may sell away in their distress to others, Government should appoint an officer to take charge of the agricultural cattle from the agricultural who cannot afford to keep them. When the favourable season opens, he may be asked to take back again by giving a 'nominal' price for maintenance of cattle.

'TO SEE OURSELVES'

(From A Correspondent).

It is interesting to learn that the Oriental Institute of the Academy of Sciences of the Soviet Union is at work on a history of India. It is a sad fact that History has too often been written by the victors. 'V for Victory is a modern slogan, but 'Vae victis!' is as old as the hills. In the result it is the victors' version of events that passes for History. We do not know what the Persians thought of the wars between the Ancient Greeks and themselves: in spite of Hitler's literary efforts it is the Allied version of the last war that is accepted as historically true, and if Germany were to succeed in winning this one the history of the last few years would be presented to future generations in a form that we should hardly recognize. In the case of Indian history in particular it was the British version that until recently was universally prevalent even among our own countrymen. Latterly Indian historians have attempted to put the opposite point of view but their natural partisanship may perhaps not infrequently carry them to the other extreme.

In these circumstances the contribution of the Russian Institute should be particularly valuable. It will be History written by a third party, and a third party peculiarly well placed to write it. Being both European and Asiatic they will have no prejudice against East or West as such: and they are blessed with a shrewd insight and a mordant sense of humour which should guide them through the smoke-screen put out by interested parties. As loyal citizens of the Soviet Union, however, they will have their own ideological bias; and we must expect that they will have some stern things to say of the vaunted splendour and munificence of India's ancient monarchs, and of the essential individualism of the average Indian to-day. Nevertheless, making allowance for this, the chances are that it will otherwise present a fair and unprejudiced picture.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Standard Cloth

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Prices of cloth have gone so high that it has become so difficult for people of ordinary means to clothe themselves and their families decently. The reasons put forward are many. One of which Sheth Kastoorbhai of Ahmedabad mentioned sometime back was the export of cloth overseas. He did not mention that his and other mills in Ahmedabad did not produce any cloth for nearly three months; this short production together with transport difficulties have told upon the prices to a greater extent together with the millowners' greed for bumper profits. Now a scheme for the production and distribution of Standard Cloth is being worked out. It has taken quite a long time and discussions are still going on. It seems the main difficulty is the medium of distribution. An elaborate organisation is proposed. Further discussion will take place at a meeting at the end of this month. Qualities and prices are fixed and mills are to be forced to give 25 to 30 per cent of their production in these qualities.

In my opinion this is not necessary. This organisation will be complicated like the present Textile Supply Department and much time, money and paper will be wasted in calling for statistics and statements and by the time people in far off places get these goods the war will be over. Besides, the qualities produced will be forced upon the consumers and as soon as the war ends they will be unsaleable. The Millowners are Congressmen as they have shown their sympathy by closing down their mills in response to its call and as such they are benevolent and should be much worried over the plight of their poor compatriots. They have got their own selling organisations and they can help their countrymen by offering to sell their current qualities at a reduction of 30 to 40 per cent from the present selling prices. Some of them have such schemes already started for the benefit of their workers. Such a reduction compares favourably with the proposed standard cloth prices and will not put the mills into loss. The consumers get a choice at a firm price. It may be said that this will take a long time before the consumers can get the benefit of reduction. The reply to this is that the millowners or their selling agents should arrange with their retailers to sell their stock at the reduced price forthwith and the difference between the price paid by them to the mills and the new selling price may be made good by the mills.

Price control is demanded by some. This will not help at all as the price control on food grains has not proved beneficial. Such a control creates black market and with plenty of materials we always find a scarcity.—Yours, etc.,

MILLMAN.

Child Welfare Work And Conference

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Your woman correspondent seems to be ignorant about certain facts. "A Child Welfare Conference as such is being held for the first time in the history of India" is not true, as she has reported in the "Chronicle" of to-day's date. The first such Conference was organised by Balkan-ji-Bari—the All-India Children's Association in December 1941, at Karachi, under the presidency of Mr. Abid Ali Jaferbhai of this place, and it was attended by representatives from almost all parts of India.

Besides, I would like to bring to the notice of the public that child welfare work is being done in our country by Balkan-ji-Bari—the All-India Children's Association ever since its inception in 1926, and in Bombay particularly since 1934, when its first local branch was started at Khar. Now its branches are spread throughout the country. Persons interested in the work could send for the details from the General Secretary of the Association, "Gulistan," Khar, Bombay 21.—Yours etc.,

ATSALA NILKANTH,
Secretary,
Khar Balkan-ji-Bari.

"Sporting Times" Letter

By D. F. KARAKA

A letter appears in the "Sporting Times" of yesterday to which the paper has given a three-column spread and pride of place on the editorial page. Judging from the editorial itself, which is headed "Sound Management" has made the R. W. I. T. C. What It Is", the letter has the support of the paper, which is only natural because it is because of the present Committee of the Turf Club that the "Sporting Times" has special privileges which are denied to others. For instance, the "Sporting Times" Race Card is allowed to be sold INSIDE the Race Course, a right shared only by the Official Card. Again when the Stewards make a statement or any explanation is officially given by the Turf Club, it curiously appears only in the "Sporting Times". The "Sporting Times's" support of the present Committee of the Turf Club can, therefore, hardly be regarded as an impartial.

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The letter I refer to is anonymous. It purports to come from "An Old Indian Club Member". Staunchly as the writer supports the present Committee, he does not reveal his identity. From our point of view there is no guarantee that the letter is not written by someone on the Committee itself, not that I suggest it was. Let me analyse it for you. The letter refers to the "hurling down" of certain leaflets last Saturday. In so far as it is a criticism of such "hurling down" it is justifiable. But the letter goes much beyond that. It purports to be a defence or an apologia for the present management of the Club and it uses the occasion for making propaganda for those members of the Committee whose seat at the next elections, judging from the anxiety displayed in this letter, must have become somewhat uncertain. The writer refers to certain members of the Committee as "tried and trustworthy public workers". Judging from the comments one has read and the criticisms that have been passed in the local press on the management of the Club and affairs connected with racing, it would appear that the opinion of the public is at a slight variance, to put it mildly, with the opinion of the writer of the "Sporting Times" letter.

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The identity of the writer of this letter is, therefore, very important. In the first place the letter contains information which only a Steward or a Member of the Committee would have had access to. If this information can find its way in the open columns of the "Sporting Times" and if the letter is not written by a Steward or a Member of the Committee with the knowledge of that Committee as a whole, then it is the duty of the Committee to demand from the "Sporting Times", which they themselves have elevated to the status of the official organ of the Club, how the "Sporting Times" could publish a letter which could only be construed as having come from a member of the Committee without referring the matter to the Turf Club, who is liable to be involved.

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The relevant parts which bear out my point are these. Says the writer: (in connection with the Usk-Moot Law objection) "... the verdict was UNANIMOUS and THIS WAS SUPPORTED BY THE STIPENDIARY STEWARDS, ONE OF WHOM, Mr. Reid, followed the race in the car." (The caps are mine). Now how could anyone but a Steward reveal this information? Again the writer states that the Maharajah of Kashmir withdrew his demand for an inquiry for interference to his horse by Carabas. These are obviously only details which are known to those intimately connected with racing. That they should have been revealed anonymously in a letter in the "Sporting Times", which, I repeat, is supported by the Turf Club officially, lays itself to the obvious interpretation or misinterpretation that the letter also may have the full support of the Committee. If the Committee has no knowledge of this letter it is necessary for the Committee to sever the Turf Club's official connection with the "Sporting Times". The prestige of the Members of the Turf Club Committee is involved and "these tried and trustworthy public workers" must not lay themselves open to misinterpretation in the eyes of the general public.

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There are parts in the letter which cannot be allowed to stand without challenging. The letter attributes to the Maharajah of Kashmir "ill grace" not to have been satisfied with the Stewards' decision in disqualifying Moot Law. The name of Mr. V. Rosenthal is mentioned in the paragraph which begins: "Unfortunately when the Maharajah came to Bombay matters were "deliberately" misrepresented to him ....." The accusation of deliberate misrepresentation is there. And this is very delicate. These matters must be cleared up and the public have a right to know what steps the Turf Club is going to take to disassociate itself from the "Sporting Times", in which such accusations appear.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Answering Mr. Lambert's (Liberal) question in the House of Commons to-day the Secretary of State for India Mr. Amery said that the population of India according to the census of 1941 was 389 millions compared with 338,119,000 in 1931; 305,674,000 in 1921 and 302,995,000 in 1911.

Mr. Lambert said: "Do not these figures dispel the illusion that British rule in India has been arbitrary?"

Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked. "Does that mean that British rule in India has led to an increase in fertility?"

No further answer was given.

—House of Commons Report.

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Fresh taxation is expected to be imposed in India.

The details of the Finance Member's proposals are not yet available, but we would like to see the following sources of income to be taxed:—

(1) Excess Profits Tax on Wartime Profiteers.

(2) Increased Income-Tax on Government Servants employed at fancy salaries "for the duration."

(3) Sales Tax on the sale of grains and other foodstuffs in the Black Market.

(4) Entertainment Tax on all the visitors to the Central Legislative Assembly.

(5) Octroi Duty on import of illicit liquor in prohibition areas.

(6) A Poll Tax on all non-Indians securing fat jobs in India.

(7) A Marriage Tax on marriages of all persons above the age of seven and below the age of seventy.

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Mr. Shinwell (Labour): If M. Stalin found himself unable to attend the conference at Casablanca or elsewhere were the Soviet Government asked to send their representatives, military and diplomatic, to attend the conference?

Mr. Attlee did not reply.

—House of Commons Report.

Another case of silence being golden—and eloquent!

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Mr. Fazlul Huq, at a party he gave to the Turkish Mission, commanded the example of Turkey to India. "With the example that you have set before us," he said, "you have solved all those difficult tangles which are given to us to solve in the shape of communal trouble."

It is indiscreet remarks like these that repeatedly earn for the Bengal Premier the wrath of the Qaid-e-Azam

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A friend of Hitler has been arrested in U.S.A. for evading the Selective Service Act.

Surely he could have been of service in some very "selective" capacity.

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The German Minister of Economic Affairs has issued an order for the "closing down of non-essential businesses."

Can we hope that they are thinking of closing down this non-essential business of war?

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Finland is demanding more food from Germany.

Hitler is unable to supply anything more substantial than—nuts!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague).

(1) Some British Tories are urging for an immediate opening of the second front in Germany—against Russia!

(2) The Lenin Statue in London was tarred by someone belonging to a Trotskite—Burgeoise—Deviationist clique.

(3) The Indian Progressive Group has progressed from the Greens to the Taj and its next meeting may be held in the Yacht Club.

(4) The race-goers of Bombay are today very much concerned not about Stalin the man but about Stalin the horse.

(5) The Government of Sind has banned the film of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's visit to China as it may propagate anti-fascist ideas which he expressed during that visit.

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A man, after placing some flowers on a grave, noticed an old Chinaman putting a bowl of rice on a grave nearby, and asked:

"When do you expect your friend to come up and eat the rice?"

The old Chinaman replied with a smile: "Same time your friend comes up to smell flowers"

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He arrived home slightly the worse for drink. "Been to a lecture" cried his wife in derision. "Ridiculous! They don't lecture until one o'clock in the morning."

"Th-thish one did, m'dear", replied her husband blissfully "Poor chap, he had a most terrible stutter"

Smoking In Cinemas

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—May I take the liberty of ventilating through your esteemed paper the grievance of so many Poona cine-goers who are being deprived of the right of enjoying a film, although paid for, due to the British soldiers indiscriminately resorting to excessive smoking, and thus causing a lot of inconvenience and exasperation to the film-fans who include many ladies and gentlemen not accustomed to this state of affairs—Yours, etc.,

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Release Of Detenus In U. P.

Big Crop Of Collective Fines: Marked Increase In Jail Population

(Through A. P. and U. P.)

LUCKNOW, Feb. 5.

A considerable number of persons detained under Rules 26 and 129 had already been released and it was the policy of Government to release such persons whose further detention was considered unwarranted, said Sir Tenant Sloan, Adviser to the Governor of the United Provinces, at a Press Conference replying to a question on the jail population in the Province.

Sir Tenant added the great majority of those who were under detention had been detained in connection with the Congress movement. No separate figures were easily available for those convicted under the D.I.R. in connection with that movement.

Sir Tenant admitted that the Congress movement had gone underground and added: "We have been successful in rounding up principal persons responsible for organising sabotage and other subversive activities in this Province and very few cases of sabotage have been reported in the last two months."

ROLE OF CIVIC GUARDS

Replying to a question whether it was true that Civic Guards were enrolled only for Civil Defence and the maintenance of internal order against enemy activities and whether there was any justification in the complaint that they had been employed in suppressing lawlessness and disorder created by the Congress movement, Sir Tenant said Civic Guards were not enrolled only for Civil Defence and the maintenance of internal order against enemy activities. On the contrary, they were enrolled primarily for the protection of the public and the preservation of law and order in any emergency.

Sir Tenant revealed that the total expenditure for the first nine months of the year on Civil Defence Services was Rs. 4,541,000 and on Civic Guards Rs. 7,91,000 making a total of Rs. 53,32,000.

CROP OF COLLECTIVE FINES

It is understood that collective fines imposed on the inhabitants of various districts of the United Provinces in connection with the recent disturbances so far amount to about Rs. 29 lakhs.

JAIL POPULATION

The total jail population on January 31, 1943, said Sir Tenant in reply to another question was 41,678. That figure included 3,793 Security prisoners, 4,516 prisoners convicted under the D. I.R. and 1,895 prisoners awaiting trial under the D.I.R. The total number of under-trial prisoners was 7,440. The total jail population was approximately 10,000 more than the population at the same time last year.

Year's Ban On Processions

LAHORE:—A Gazette notification announces that the Punjab Government have extended for another year with effect from 24th February, 1943, the order under D.I.R. prohibiting the taking out of processions within the boundaries of 47 towns in the Punjab.

Alleged Absconders Arrested

POONA, Feb. 5.

A six-chamber revolver, several cartridges, a "Gupti" (hidden sword) and a large number of prejudicial leaflets were seized by the police during a surprise raid on the residence and the shop of a leading merchant in Kolhapur, states a report received here.

Two persons alleged to be absconders from British Territory, against whom warrants of arrest had been pending were found on the premises and were taken into custody.

ARREST AT BELAPUR

Mr. Kashinath Shedge, a worker of the Gandhi Seva Sangh of Saswad, against whom a warrant of arrest had been pending, has been arrested, according to a message from Belapur Road.

DAK BUNGALOW BURNT AT NAMPUR

NASIK, Feb. 5.—The dak bungalow at the village Nampur in Baglan Taluka has been damaged by fire according to a report from Satana. Four persons have been arrested at Nampur in this connection. Mr. Keshavseth Khutade, one of the arrested persons was subsequently released.

COLLECTIVE FINES IN KHANDESH

The collective fines imposed on the villages of Maloni and Brahmanpuri, in the Shahada taluka of the West Khandesh District, have been recovered in full.

R.I. FOR DISTRIBUTING CONGRESS BULLETINS

NAGPUR, Feb. 5.

An Akola report says that four persons have been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment each for distributing Congress bulletins.

600 WORKERS ON STRIKE AT SURAT

SURAT, Feb. 5.—The workers of the Hathiawala Silk Mills joining the strikers to-day, silk workers of three mills in Surat involving about 600 workers are on strike, which is on the question of dearness allowance.

RLY. DERAILMENT ACCUSED ARRESTS AT AHMEDABAD

AHMEDABAD: Two sugar merchants were arrested under D.I.R. on the charge of selling sugar at a rate higher than that fixed by the Government. One merchant was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 300 or in default suffer R. I. for three months on the charge of taking a commission for small coins.

Stones were thrown at a police Chowki in the city but none was injured.

RELEASED ON BAIL

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, Feb. 5.

Mr. Meher, Special Judge who was trying Bala Road Railway Derailment Case withheld judgment to be delivered on Monday next but released on bail pending judgment Karimkhan, President Vithalgadh Prajamandal, Madlu and Velu and Mafa from the seven accused.

Fined For Shouting Anti-Government Slogans

BOMBAY, Friday.

Fines of Rs. 60 or in default one month's R. I. were imposed on each of the two accused, Vallabhdas Ramji Shah and Rajendra Chandrashankar Dave, who were arrested by the Lamington Road Police on charges of shouting anti-Government slogans and throwing stones at passing vehicles, by Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagon Court, to-day.

CONGRESSMAN ACQUITTED.

Namedas Khimji who was arrested on 12th August 1942 for addressing a meeting at Bazargate Street and delivering Gandhiji's last message was acquitted to-day by Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagon Police Court, as the Magistrate held that the prosecution had not proved their case satisfactorily.

Police Constable Stabbed To Death

A police constable attached to the Mahim Police Station, who was on duty near a Government grain shop at Matunga, was stabbed in the chest by some persons at 9 p.m. to-day. He died on the spot.

The police, it is said, arrested some persons in this connection.

FIVE YEARS' JAIL FOR HOARDING SMALL COINS

LUCKNOW.—Acting on information the police raided the premises of a shop-keeper at Bareilly and recovered small coins worth Rs. 6,000, according to a report received here. The shop-keeper was arrested and after a summary trial was awarded five years' imprisonment under D.I.R.

Communist Roundup In Nilgiri State

CUTTACK:—On the strength of a warrant issued by the Nilgiri State, Banamali Das, leader of the State Proja Mandal movement and Secretary of the Balasore District Communist Party, was arrested at Bhadrak. Das is being taken to Nilgiri Jail for detention under D.I.R.

Twenty-three Communist volunteers are reported to have been taken into custody in connection with the Lenin Day celebration in Bhadrak and some other places.

No Right Of Secession, Says Sastri

MADRAS, February 5.

"While India could not surrender the right of secession from the British Commonwealth which Dominion Status today implied, she did not propose to grant it to the members of the future Indian Federation," said Rt. Hon. V. S Srinivasa Sastri presiding over a meeting last evening.

He added that Federation would be looser than it would otherwise be if to the existing bases were added the further right of secession. He was sorry that some of our leading politicians and statesmen had already granted this right as though it were a birthright.

GANDHIAN IDEAL

Mr. Sastri proceeding observed that it would be far better that the world were destroyed than that any part of it should be left alive and think of being prepared for a future war on the present scale. All thinking men were hoping for a new world from which war would be banished. The world would be worthy of preserving only if it was to be a world of peace. He did not know if complete non-violence would come to prevail but it was pitiable to think of a super-State being created with power to defend any threatened country until the world came to adopt Mr. Gandhi's ideal. Unless we make up our minds that there should be no necessity for self-sufficiency for purposes of defence for any country, the Peace Conference would crash heavily and disastrously.—A. P.

CONVICTION UNDER ORDINANCE 2.

No Right Of Appeal In Ordinary Way

MADRAS, Feb. 4.

Ordinance 2 of 1942 expressly deprived a person convicted before a Special Judge of the right of appeal in the ordinary way.

This was the decision given by Mr. Justice Mockett of the Madras High Court, when His Lordship disposed of a criminal appeal preferred by Dondapati Ellappa and seven others, who were convicted by Mr. W. O. Newsam sitting at Chittoor as a Special Judge for various offences under the Defence of India Rules and sentenced each to five years' rigorous imprisonment, except in the case of the fourth appellant who was sentenced to five years' simple imprisonment.

His Lordship dismissed the appeal agreeing with this contention. He rejected the arguments of the appellants that in spite of these provisions, it could not be said that the right of appeal from a Special Judge had been expressly taken away; that the right of appeal, being precious for the liberty of the subject, could not be taken away by implication; and that whatever the framers of the Ordinance might have intended, they had in fact not achieved their purpose of preventing an appeal from a conviction by a Special Judge being heard by the High Court in the ordinary manner under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

His Lordship observed that he had not the slightest doubt that it was as clear as it could possibly be that Ordinance 2 expressly deprived a person convicted before a Special Judge of the right of appeal in the ordinary way.—United Press.

Br. Admiralty Goes In For Speed

LONDON, February 5.

Britain is now building more fast merchant ships, stated Mr. J. R. Hobhouse, Chairman of the General Council of British Shipping at a London Conference, today.

On the controversy around faster or slower ships for wartime use he declared: "The present position is entirely controlled by the Admiralty. We have not got facts. The Admiralty have all the facts which they cannot broadcast for security reasons and they have come to a decision. In the early days of war they went in for quantity not quality, but recently with quantity ship-building in the United States, the Admiralty are building more fast ships—in other words they are going on the basis of speed and quality rather than quantity."—Reuter.

Adjournments Galore For Central Assembly

FOOD, SILVER & STANDARD CLOTH FIGURE PROMINENTLY: JOSHI TO RAISE 'C. R.'—MAHATMA MEETING ISSUE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 5.

Of eleven adjournment motions tabled for the opening day of the Central Assembly, four seeks to raise a debate on the food position. They have been tabled by Sardar Sant Singh, and Messrs. Neogy, Deshmukh and Bajoria.

Two other motions in respect of sale of silver by the Indian Government are in the names of Mr. Govind Deshmukh and Sardar Sant Singh.

Production of standard cloth and removal of all restrictions on the production of Atebrin in India to supplement quinine stocks are other subjects which Mr. Govind Deshmukh seeks to discuss while Seth Baijnath Bajoria proposes to deal with the requisition of 90 per cent of paper in India by Government and the shortage of small coins.

Mr. N. M. Joshi has a motion to discuss the refusal of permission to Mr. Rajagopalachariar to interview Gandhiji.

SETTLING BURMA EVACUEE LABOUR?

The second meeting of the Central Food Advisory Council will be held in New Delhi on February 8 and 9.

An interesting proposal that will come up for consideration will be inducing agricultural workers to settle in areas which remain uncultivated due to Labour shortage and settling Burma evacuee labour on spare strips of land.

Punjab Assembly Budget Session

LAHORE, Feb. 5.

The programme of the Budget Session of the Punjab Assembly is now settled, according to which Dr. Sir Manoharlal, Finance Minister, will present the Budget on March 5. Six days are being allotted for the general discussion and the voting of demands begins on March 11.—United Press.

Japs Get More Planes

LONDON, Feb. 5.

From Reuters' special correspondent at the advanced base in the South-West Pacific:—

The battle now in progress in the Solomons probably means that the Japanese have been able to reinforce their land-based planes in that area by transferring them from bases in New Britain.

The complete absence of interception from Japanese fighters during recent Allied raids in the Rabaul area points to such a transfer. The chain of air-bases established by the Japanese within short hopes of each other from Timor to the Solomons makes rapid reinforcement possible.—Reuter.

THREE HOUR RAID ON SOLOMONS

LONDON, Feb. 5.

A 'communique' from Allied headquarters in South-West Pacific on Friday says that the Allies made a three hour air raid on Buin on Bougainville Island in the Solomons.—Reuter.

SMUTS SCORES GREAT VICTORY

Malan's Amendment Rejected By 26 Votes

CAPETOWN, Feb. 5.

Dr. Malan's amendment opposing General Smuts' proposal was rejected by 75 to 49 votes.

General Smuts scored a greater political victory yesterday than when he obtained the support of the Parliament in September 1939 to go to war with Germany.

Then he had a majority of 138 votes to 67. Yesterday he doubled that margin.

General Smuts will introduce his motion to permit South Africans to volunteer for service in war theatres outside Africa into the Senate to-day.

General Smuts said that there was no question of sending South African troops overseas before Africa itself was cleared.

Eighty to 90 per cent of the South African armed forces are expected to take advantage of the opportunity now granted by the South African Parliament to continue the chase of the enemy into Europe.

This estimate of the strength of the future South African expeditionary force was given by General Smuts himself upon his return from his recent successful London mission.—Reuter.

Food-grains For Govt. And Big Firms' Employees

Knight Says, City's Cereals Requirements Assured Till April

BOMBAY, Feb. 5.

Arrangements made to supply food-grains to 35,000 clerical and menial employees of commercial establishments and of Government through their offices were revealed to the Food Advisory Council by Mr. H. F. Knight, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, presiding at its meeting held this afternoon at the Secretariat, says a Press Note.

It adds: The Chairman informed the Council that with a view to preventing surreptitious exports outside India, Government had prohibited except under license the exports of cotton and art silk piecegoods from Bombay by country craft. Government had also in accordance with the Councils recommendation issued orders that no person or persons acting as host shall distribute or cause to be distributed on any one day at any party, entertainment or function, religious, social or otherwise in the city of Bombay or the Bombay Suburban district any eatables to fifty or more persons.

Mr. Knight observed that the City's requirements of cereals seem assured well unto April and that the imports of food-grains from other Provinces were coming in well. Preparations for the introduction of rationing had now reached the enumeration stage.

PROSECUTIONS FOR BREACH OF PRICE CONTROL

A statement of the prosecutions launched by Government for the breach of price control and declaration of stocks of food orders was laid before the Council and the Chairman announced that Government were taking steps to expedite the disposal of such cases.

In the course of the discussion which followed it was suggested that for the information of the public, Government should publish a notification summarising and explaining the orders regarding holding of stocks of foodgrains and their declaration, etc.

This suggestion was accepted.

A further suggestion was made that the various qualities of rice available should be equally allotted among Government grain shops, mill shops and other consumers so that no impression of preferential treatment of any class should arise. This also was accepted

The Chairman said that Government was investigating increasing vegetable supply of the city and would in particular look into the question of further supply on the B. B. and C. I. side.

Turks Deeply Impressed By Churchill

BAGDAD, Feb. 5.

The Commander-in-Chief, Persia and Iraq Command, Gen. Sir Maitland Wilson in a statement on his return from Adana said.

"What struck me most was the deep impression made on Turkey by Mr. Churchill's powerful personality".

He said "I noticed this on the first day of the Conference and after the Premier's departure the Turks themselves told me how much they had been impressed by him."—Reuter.

Iraq Silversmith To Present Cigar Case To Churchill

BASRAH, Feb. 5.

Sheikh Zahroon of Amarah is making a silver cigar case on which he is engraving the portrait of Mr. Churchill as a present for the British Prime Minister.

His family are famous in Iraq as Silversmiths and his uncle from whom he learnt his art gave to the Duke of Windsor (then Prince of Wales) in 1922 a cigarette case on which his portrait was engraved.

Sir Sikandar's Son Becomes Minister

LAHORE, Feb. 5.

It is officially announced that Major Shaukat Hyat Khan, eldest son of the late Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan, has been appointed Minister of the Punjab.

Major Shaukat whose appointment was already forecast, is incidentally the youngest member of the Crown in India, having been born in September 1915. Major Shaukat was on active service in the first battle of Keren where he was wounded in the leg and taken prisoner of war. He rejoined his Unit when Keren was reoccupied.—United Press.

The Charter of Rights Committee of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha will meet in Delhi on the 13th February.

NEW YORK.—Mr. Sumner Welles declared that the United States and the Allied forces were co-operating to secure victory, Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, in a speech at Maryland university.

BARKING DOG SENDS MISTRESS TO JAIL

(Through A.P. and U.P.)

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

A barking dog, whom his mistress declined to take out of the court room, led to the conviction of one Mrs. N. Hall for contempt of court and culminated in her being sent to jail for one month.

The incident occurred in the court room of Mr. G. R. Soomro, the Second Additional City Magistrate, this evening. Mrs. Hall had been summoned as an accused in a case and she came to the court room with her pet dog. The dog began barking but Mrs. Hall refused to take it outside.

Mrs. Hall was called upon accordingly to show cause why she should not be fined Rs. 200 under Section 228 I.P.C. read with Sec. 480 Cr.P.C. She declined to give any explanation beyond stating that she had come to court early and wanted her case to be taken up quickly.

The Magistrate accordingly convicted her for contempt of court and sentenced her to pay a fine of Rs. 200. Mrs. Hall refused to pay the fine and preferred to suffer one month's simple imprisonment in lieu of the fine.

While Mrs. Hall was being taken out of the court room escorted by an Indian police, she created another scene by insisting on being taken to jail by a European officer and not by a 'Hindustani Kala Lok."

Sentenced For Hoarding Silver Rupees

COONOOR, Feb. 5.

For having hoarded silver rupees and small change to the value of Rs. 9,900 a money-lender of Ootacamund was sentenced yesterday by the Joint First Class Magistrate, Coonoor, to rigorous imprisonment for 12 months and a fine of Rs. 1,000 under the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

THERE IS A THIRD PARTY TOO

Referring to Mr. Jinnah's recent statement that the constitutional problem could be solved if the Congress agreed to come to terms with the Muslim League, Mr. Rajbhoj said that even if the Congress and the League came to terms the problem could not be solved unless both the parties came to terms with the Depressed

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APPEAL OF "PRARTHANA"

At the box-office, "Prarthana" of Minerva at Krishna in second week, draws the public by virtue of its star lead by Sabita Devi and Motilal, the appearance of the renowned Jahanara Kajjan in the cast, and the reputation of Sarvottam Badami as a director. It is already acknowledged, besides that Kajjan gives an impressive revival of classical music on the screen, and that Menaka lends considerable assistance in that direction.

To the more intelligent audience, however, the biggest fact about 'Prarthana' must remain its theme. The throes of a woman's heart caught between love and social conditions are echoed with a dignity and daring that provoke thought and challenge introspection. The sentimental question "Is love a crime?" so often asked with a melodramatic disregard for the answer, is here brought up to inescapable decision.

Shanta Apte In High Form In "Zamindar"

Stardom came to Shanta Apte easily, for she is a girl of strong character and her early roles were suited to that trait in her. As was only to be expected, not all her later roles were of that kind. Once more, she has a role which reflects her own nature and temperament. That role is in "Zamindar," the Pancholi film having a tremendous run at the New West End.

Shanta Apte's role in "Zamindar" is that of a youthful girl, who, at the threshhold of life, spurns wealth in favour of justice, defies a powerful Zamindar on behalf of the poor peasants, and even challenges her own father with bitter truth.

Zahur Raja of Raja Movietone will soon release "Mazak" at some one of the city theatres. Madhuri, Pahari Sanyal, Radha Rani have been starred in the film.

"Sharda" In Third Week At Krishna

Kardar Productions' 'Sharda' starring Mehtab, Ullas, Wasti and Nirmala with her excellent songs is now in third week at Krishna.

"Bhakta Surdas" In Eighth Week At Opera House

Ranjit's devotional hit "Bhakta Surdas" starring Saigal and Khurshid with Monica Desai, Nagendra and others, is now running in the eighth week at the Opera House.

"Maya Machindra" In Tamil

On Sunday at 10 a.m. Tamil "Maya-Machindra" will be shown at Broadway at 10 a.m. It stars M. K. Radha, M. R. Krishnamurthy, M. B. Radhbai, P. G. Venkatesan and the Krishnan Mathuram pair.

SEX APPEAL PICTURES RESENTED

Cinegoers' Conference Demands Nationalisation Of Indian Screen

"Imitating the Russians of the U.S.S.R.; if the Motion Picture industry was well handled in our country from its very inception we would have attained freedom long ago and today would have helped the Allied cause in the manner befitting the occasion it demands." Thus remarked Mr B. K Sharma while delivering his presidential speech at the Indian Cinegoers' Conference held recently at Hira Bagh C. P Tank.

Proceeding further he warned the producers to desist from producing "sex appeal" pictures only, and that they should feel themselves existing in the critical hour of our trial, also that they should march along the times as well.

Pandit Nilkanthji Tewari, moving the main resolution viz: the Nationalisation of the Indian Screen, urged the producers to take immediate notice of it and help in the reconstruction of our Society.

Mr. Mangalanandji Gautam, Editor of "Rangbhoomi", moving the second resolution about pictures of documentary importance laid stress upon the fact that the same should be handled very carefully and only after due consultation including deep study; otherwise the reaction will tell upon producers amounting to shooting down such as misrepresent the authority of historical fact.

Pandit Kashinathji Malaviya moved the third resolution which congratulated the Provincial Governments of Punjab, Sind and Bombay, on exempting the Unity Productions' "Bhakta Kabir" from the Entertainment Tax.

The fourth resolution was moved from the Chair which expressed regret over the ban of Circo's "Apna Ghar" in Ahmedabad.

The fifth resolution realting to the formation of the Indian Motion Pictures' Constructive Society was moved by Pandit Sunderlal Tripathi, who explained the object by which the producers if they co-operate are provided with a Library containing all literary dramas, play-wrights and other Indian Literature useful for the motion picture trade.

The above resolutions were adopted unanimously and upon a reference made by Mr J. M Jayakar, Editor of "Spectator" and "Weekly Show," the move of introducing kissing on the screen was condemned vehemently by all those present.

After the vote of thanks the Assembly adjourned 'sine die.'

Baby Akhtar in "Zamindar" at West End.

Family Appeal Of "Ten O'Clock"

The little Baby Shakuntala is accounted by many to be the star attraction of "Ten O'clock." Hers is a comparatively small role, but it shines with a brightness all its own. She looks such a dear when she smiles; more so when she chides her brother and his girl friend.

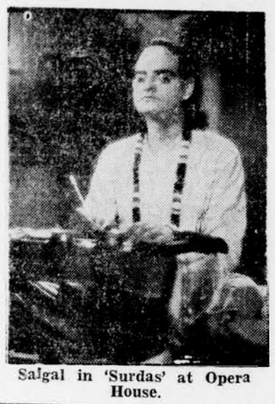
To family audience, at any rate, Baby Shakuntala is a major attraction.

"RAJA" NEARING COMPLETION

In "Raja" the forthcoming maiden social of Purnima Production will be featured Protima Dasgupta with Kishore Sahu playing the male lead as well as directing the picture.

SABITA DEVI JOINS FAZLI BROTHERS

Sabita Devi has joined Fazli Brothers Ltd., and will be working under the celebrated Director S. F. Hasnain in his film "Fashion."



Saigal in 'Surdas' at Opera House.

"KISMET" COLLECTIONS

With the 5th week of its triumphant run at the Roxy, "Kismet" Bombay Talkies' absorbing drama of life and love, has established a new record of popularity which would be hard to beat.

Rs. 22,452-10-0; Rs. 22,538-7-0; Rs. 22,581-13-0. These are the Roxy theatre's collections of the first, second and third week of "Kismet," the Bombay Talkies picture produced by Shashadhar Mukerji. The figure for the fourth week, which ended last night, is also in the neighbourhood of Rs. 22,500.

"Jawani" In Sixth Week At Swastik

To Surendra and Husn Banu, to Abdul Rehman Kabuli, Qyamali and Sankatha, to Director Vajahat Mirza Changazi and Music Director Anil Biswas, go all the applauses, which have been showered by the film patrons on the finest comedy-hit now entering its sixth week at the Swastik Talkies.

"Masoom" At Broadway

"Masoom" produced by Fazli Bros. and starring Ramola is being shown at the Broadway Cinema in this week.

The Half-Column "By Dim"

QUESTION II FOR THE TURF CLUB COMMITTEE:

(a) What checks are there in the rules to see that a Steward does not use his position to further his own interests or those of his friends and relatives?

(b) Is there any provision for an inquiry on a Steward's conduct, if evidence was forthcoming?

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QUESTION III FOR THE TURF CLUB COMMITTEE:

(a) If a Steward sits on an objection, is it to be presumed by the public that the said Steward had no bets on the horses involved in the objection?

(b) Who sat on the Usk-Moot Law objection?

(c) If so, is it a necessary implication that they had no bet on Usk or Moot Law.

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QUESTION IV FOR THE TURF CLUB COMMITTE:

(a) Who were the Stewards who sat on the Princess Beautiful inquiry?

(b) What was the report of the Stipendiary Stewards? Did they agree in their report?

(c) On what point was the Club vet consulted?

(d) What is the meaning of the words: "The Stewards 'resolved' to accept the explanation..... (vide. The Racing Calendar)?

(e) How many Stewards voted for accepting the explanation of the trainer and the jockey? How many voted against, if any?

(h) Was the Chairman's casting vote necessary?

(Further questions will follow. I repeat again that if the Turf Club Committee would oblige the public with answers to these very relevant questions, the Half Column would willingly publish the same.

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Innocent headline in yesterday's "Bombay Man's Diary" (Evening News):

"Warning to Race-goers—Pickpockets at Mahalaxmi."

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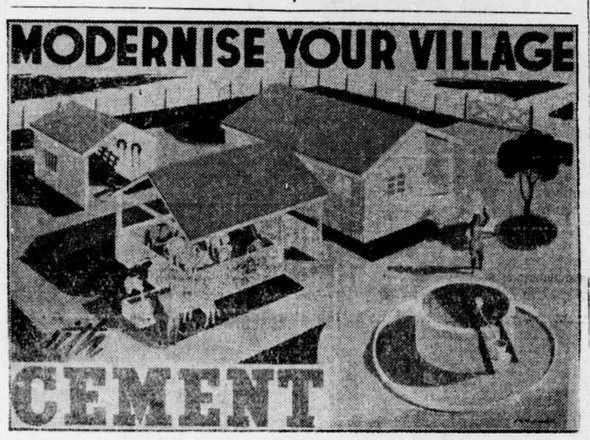

A prize-winning poster by Mr. V. H. Rajiwadkar displayed at the Art in Industry Exhibition which is being held at the Sir J. J. School of Art.

National Council Of Women

The National Council of Women in India concluded its eighth biennial meeting at the University Convocation Hall, Bombay, on Tuesday, Mrs. Maneklal Premchand, presiding.

The Council passed a resolution welcoming the Rau Committee Bills as a beginning in the right direction, accepting the broad principles of the Bills and expressing the opinion that the time had arrived when the question of the codification of the whole of the Hindu Law should be taken in hand by the various Governments—Central and Provincial.

By another resolution the Council demanded amendment of Section 60 of the Civil Procedure Code so as to enable women to execute an order of alimony even though her husband's salary be less than Rs. 100 per month. It also passed resolutions asking for extension of the provisions of the Hindu Women's Property Act, 1938, to all provinces and prohibition of begging in streets and public places by law. The amended constitution of the Council was adopted.

Her Highness the Maharani Setu Parvatibai of Travancore was re-elected President for the next four years. The following office-bearers were elected for the next biennium: Chairman, Mrs. Maneklal Premchand; Vice-Chairman, Lady Cowasji Jehangir, Mrs. A. A. Fyzee and Dr. Kashibai Nowrange; Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Malinibai Paranjpe; Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. H. K. Kirpalani, Mrs. D. N. Sirur was elected Vice-President of the Governing Body for four years. It was decided that Bombay should continue to be the Headquarters of the Council for the next biennium.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah was voted for presidentship of the next session of the All-India Muslim League to be held at Delhi, by the Working Committee of the Sind Provincial Muslim League which met at Sukkur.—United Press.

Jamnadas Mehta Urges Consumers' Co-ops.

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The problems facing the workers in obtaining their daily requirements of food supply and the non-appearance of standard cloth while nearly 500 million yards of cloth were being exported, rendering it increasingly difficult for the workers to keep them warm in the trying periods of weather for the fourth year in succession were some of the subjects explained to Mr. N. R. Sarkar, Commerce Member, by a deputation of the Indian Federation of Labour this morning at the Secretariat. The deputation was led by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta M.L.A., (Central).

Mr. Mehta pointed out that though the queue situation was becoming easier it was not altogether an evidence of the efficiency of the food distribution system. He said that the purchasing power of the labour was getting poor day by day and suggested the distribution of foodstuffs through consumers' co-operative societies conducted by workers.

Mr. Mehta also stated that he had been receiving numerous telegrams from Railway Workers about the hardships which included failure of the authorities to give fresh instalment of dearness allowance. He also explained the misery of the workers.

Mr. Sarkar gave the deputation a patient hearing and assured Mr. Mehta that he would place the idea of co-operative societies before the proper authorities.

Bhavnagar Students' Exhibition

Mr. Yashvant Kumar Daushyik writes:—

How those students who want to serve the country and to do something for the cause of its freedom can devote their energies to that noble cause was shown by an economic-political-historical exhibition held by the Bhavnagar Students' Union last week.

A series of lectures by distinguished professors and Principal Shahani was a feature of the exhibition.

Another exhibiton, titled 'Our India' is contemplated. It may follow next summer.

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CRAWFORD MARKET GRAIN GODOWNS RAIDED

BOMBAY, Friday.

Sensation prevailed in the Crawford Market yesterday evening when, on information received Mr J. N. Naigamwalla, Chief Inspector, Civil Supplies Department, carried out a surprise raid on a grain godown said to be standing in the name of Jehangir Dossabhai & Co., and seized 304 bags of rice, 45 bags of flour, 18 bags of cereals and 10 bags of sugar. One person arrested in connection with this case for not disclosing the stock in his possession was allowed bail by the police.

Mr. Naigamwalla carried out another raid this morning on a godown said to be belonging to Dhunjibhai Bomanji and Company at the Crawford Market 69 bags of cereals and ten bags of rice were seized from this godown.

The person who was arrested by Mr. Naigamwalla in this connection will be put up on a charge sheet after the police investigations are complete.

ALLEGED TORTURE BY POLICE

Government Appeal

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Weston)

Imperator ..... Appellant

Versus

K. K. Vaidya and four others ... Opponents

This was an appeal by the Government against an order of acquittal passed by the Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar on 23rd January 1942, with regard to all the accused who were police sub-inspectors and constables of Sangamner and Akola.

On 3rd June, 1941 there was a housebreaking and theft in the house of one Rajmahamad of Sangamner. During the course of the investigation the prosecution alleged that the accused who were all police officers wrongfully confined and tortured seven suspects both at the Police Kachert and at the Dak Bungalow between the 9th and 11th of June 1941, and that as a result of excessive beating one of the suspects Jiji Mahadu Bhil died in police custody on the morning of 14th June. After medical reports were obtained the accused were charged with the offences of having voluntarily caused hurt to the suspects in order to extort a confession and of having wrongfully confined them for that purpose under Sections 330 and 348 of the Indian Penal Code. The learned Sessions Judge, who tried the case in the first instance, agreeing with the unanimous opinion of three assessors, disbelieved the prosecution evidence as that of tutored witnesses, accepted the defence evidence as independent and reliable and acquitted all the accused of the offences charged. Against this order of acquittal the Government appealed to the High Court under Section 417 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Before their Lordships the hearing of the appeal lasted for four days. After hearing counsel on both sides their Lordships reserved judgment.

The Advocate-General Mr. N. P. Engineer with the Government Pleader Mr. B. G. Rao appeared for the Government.

Mr. M. V. Desai and Mr. Jape appeared for the accused.

Teachers' Demand For Dearness Allowance

The following resolution regarding dearness allowance was passed at the meeting of the Teacher members of the Bombay North and Suburban Secondary Teachers' Association at their meeting held on the 23rd January:—"This meeting of the Teacher members of the Bombay North and Suburban Secondary Teachers' Association puts on record the sense of appreciation of the sympathetic and favourable consideration shown by some of the schools in granting dearness allowance to the members of their staff." "This meeting urges all the managers of the schools to take immediate steps to grant the dearness allowance on the scale fixed by the Central Government, if they have not done so already."

"If there be any financial difficulty experienced by the management in granting such allowance, this meeting suggests that the following measures may be adopted to meet the situation":—(1) An emergency increase of four annas in the monthly fees per pupil. (2) The management should contribute monthly two annas per pupil. (3) The Government be approached to give an additional grant of two annas per pupil per month.

This meeting further suggests that the amount thus realized be fully utilized for giving dearness allowance to their staff."

"This meeting request the management to assure the guardian that the increase in the fees will be only a temporary and emergent measure, and will be withdrawn as soon as the emergency ceases."

"This meeting also makes its earnest appeal to the Bombay Provincial Federation of Secondary Teachers' Association to take up the matter of dearness allowance in their hands and try their best to ameliorate the miserable lot of the Teachers."

"It also appeals to the Government to take sympathetic view of the situation and of the plight of the Teacher Community by granting its meagre demands setforth in the resolution passed by this meeting."

Uproar At Library Committee Meeting

NASIK, Feb. 5.

Confusion prevailed at the first meeting of the newly elected executive committee of the Nasik General Library, the oldest public library in Maharashtra, which is running its 103rd year.

When the committee met to elect office-bearers for the year, objection was raised to the presence and presidentship of the outgoing chairman Mr. P. V. Deolalkar who was not elected to the committee this year. A section of the members contended that he could not even attend the meeting. The presiding member, Mr. Deolalkar ruled out the objecton and conducted the meeting, notwithstanding the demand of the members that he should leave the meeting hall. This gave way to further confusion and uproar.

At this stage, a member proposed the name of Dr. D. V. Deolalkar to the chair, and it was duly seconded. Suddenly, the minutes book of the Library was snatched away from the hands of Mr. P. V. Deolalkar, following which he left the meeting.

Dr. Deolalkar who occupied the chair was able to restore order and the meeting passed a resolution referring the dispute to the general body for verdict. The office-bearers for the current year were also elected.—United Press.

Wives Obtain Injunctions

KARACHI, Feb. 5.

Can a Hindu whose first wife, married according to Hindu rites, is living remarry under Civil Marriages Act? This question has been mooted by applications from 20 Hindu husbands before a civil court in Hyderabad, Sind.

Their wives, it is reported, promptly sought—and obtained—restraining injunctions on the ground that Hindu custom frowns upon polygamy.—A. P.

STOP CLOSING DOWN OF KHADI BHANDAR

Bharucha's Appeal To Sarkar

Mr. B. F. Bharucha addresses the following Open Letters to the Hon. Mr. N. R. Sarkar:—

For months past, your Government is holding out assurances of putting on the market standard cloth for the benefit of the poor. The winter is well nigh over, and we are assured of a supply in April next. Mr Sarker, will you please give us some clear idea of this standard cloth? What will be its quality, width, colour (fast or kutcha) price per yard, and who will be entitled to have it? Please tell us definitely to-day.

Mr. Sarkar, on one hand, there is scarcity of cloth and prices have soared too high! and to meet the situation you are endeavouring to get cheap standard cloth on the other hand, the bureaucracy is confiscating khadi stocks, without any discretion or consideration! The plea usually put for ward is, that the manager of the Bhandar or his assistant was mixed up in the present movement and so without thorough investigation and judicial inquiry, the man is locked up and the khadi stock is seized and sealed! Now may we know Mr Sarkar that where professors or teachers are found involved in the movement are their schools locked up? No. Where a merchant is found in the movement, is his stocked seized and sealed up? No. Where a mill owner or a factory owner is concerned in the movement, is his mill or factory closed down? No, Mr. Sarkar, so, please tell us. Mr. Sarkar, why Khadi Bhandars are treated with such discrimination? Why are they alone singled out? Why are they alone penalised in this fashion? May I say, Mr. Sarkar, that the attitude of your Government in this regard is most reprehensible and indefensible?

To cease khadi stocks for the alleged wrong behaviour of the Manager or Assistant, and to let them lie idle and get spoiled by careless storing would have been regarded as a crime under any democratic Government and an utter waste of cloth in the midst of emergency and scarcity! Mr. Sarkar, please stop this senseless confiscation of khadi stocks, and arrange for their release without delay.

You know so well, Mr. Sarkar, what khadi stands for. It has no politics of its own. It is entirely an economic and human remedy to mitigate the unspeakable poverty of India even in a small measure. It gives work and bread to thousands of unemployed men and women of India. The majority of spinners are poor women. By the indiscriminate and unjust closing down of Khadi Bhandars, these poor women are facing starvation! Can any Government, worth the name, do such an inhumane act? Or allow its perpetuation, though clearly shown its enormity and inequity? Dear Mr Sarkar, please pause and ponder, undo the wrong and do the right thing, please, and that too, now.

For years, this writer has hawked Khadi in many parts of India,—and at various places from house to house, and room to room. He has also visited khadi producing centres, and famine stricken areas. And what has he noticed? Complete cordiality between Hindu and Muslim workers—Hindu youths going to Muslim houses to give cotton or slivers and receive the yarn, and thus save the trouble of purdah sisters of going to the centres. Muslim weavers coming to the centres and looking upon the Hindu Managers as their friend in need. When famine stricken people were offered corn by this writer; they turned round and asked him to buy up their yarn or khadi and give them cotton or slivers, so that they could ply the spinning wheel whole day and night alternately, and earn their honest living. It is this hard fact, which led me to hawk khadi, when it was overstocked at any place, when money was locked up on that account, and cotton could not be purchased as a consequence.

Dear Mr. Sarkar, further facts will follow. Meanwhile please stop confiscation of khadi stocks; release the same without delay; restore the working of Khadi Bhandars, and thus save thousands of our poor unemployed countrymen and particularly countrywomen from starvation and privation. Do this, Mr. Sarkar, patriotism, equity and humanity demand it.

P.S. Is it a fact, Mr. Sarkar, that in Bengal, Bihar and U. P. nearly 150 khadi centres are closed down; and that stocks and cash seized amount to about rupees nine lakhs? Will you please arrange to release all these, Mr. Sarkar? They will give so much relief to the poor spinners. Mr. Sarkar.

Swami Shri Vidyanandji Maharaj

(From A Correspondent.)

Swami Shri Vidyanandji Maharaj is fortunately again in Bombay and has been giving learned discourses on Shrimad Bhagwat Gita at Madhav Bag (C.P. Tank) every evening to large and appreciative audiences numbering over 5,000 persons including a large number of ladies.

Swamiji has done pioneering work of establishing temples at Ahmedabad, Baroda and Karnali (in the Broach District) exclusively for the purpose of encouraging the study of Bhagwat Gita. To these temples are attached free Ayurvedic dispensaries.

The Swamiji has extended his stay in Bombay for a fortnight.

Dr. Udgaonkar Satkar Samiti

The Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha has passed a special Resolution to congratulate Dr. Udgaonkar, a member of the Working Committee of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha and Secretary of the Shradhanand Anath Institute on his providential escape from the murderous assault made on him by a Gurkha in the Ashram Premises, in the month of December and also to honour him for his selfless multifarious public and social activities, specially relating to the Hindu Society by giving him a Public Address on behalf of the B.P.H. Sabha and his friends and admirers. The time and place will be announced in due course. All those who sympathise with this, are requested to send their contribution to Dr M. G. Abhyankar, Treasurer, Dr. Udgaonkar Satkar Samitti, Govinddham, Hindu colony, Bombay No. 14.

Brave Village Woman

LUCKNOW, Feb. 4.

A report of the capture of a dacoit by an unarmed woman leading to the pounding up of nine of his confederates is received from the village of Harainkhera, twelve miles from Lucknow.

It is reported that a gang of about twelve dacoits raided a house in the village on the night of Monday last. While they were busy ransacking the house about forty villagers surrounded them. They, however, made a determined bid to escape. One of them was caught by a woman who pinned him to the ground until rescue arrived but not before she had sustained half a dozen stab wounds. The capture of the dacoit later led to the apprehension of nine of his associates.—A. P.

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The well-known Gujerati comedy "Mansino-Mako", written by the late Mr. P. J. Marzban, is to be staged at the Excelsior Theatre on Sunday (14th March) for the benefit of the Parsi-Ward of Sir J. J. Hospital, under the auspices of the Sir J. J. Hospital Parsi Ward Benefit Performance Committee. The entire net income will be donated for the benefit of the Parsi Ward.

Tickets for this performance were sold out in a surprisingly short period of only four days. Our committee have decided to hold a second performance of the same drama, at the Excelsior theatre on Sunday (28th March), and the net entire income of the second performance also will be donated to the Parsi Ward of Sir J. J. Hospital. Tickets can be purchased from the Committee's Hony. Secretary, Mr. Noshir N. Katrak, Representative, Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, Canada Building, Hornby Road, between 5-30 and 6-30 p.m.

With the very good object of increasing as much as possible, the amount to be sent for the benefit of the Parsi Ward, our Committee make this appeal, through your esteemed paper, for donations large or small to charitably disposed Parsi ladies and gentlemen, and also to benevolent Parsi institutions, both in and outside Bombay. Donations may be sent to the Joint Hon. Treasurers, Mr. Framroze R. Surti, Chief Cashier, Imperial Bank of India Ltd., Bombay, or to Mr. Rustom H. Nanavatty, Branch Inspection Department, Central Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay. Such donations will be received and acknowledged with thanks.

Provincial 'Army For Sind

Sind will shortly have a semi-military force of its own called the Sind Police Rifles. It will be a kind of provincial army but strictly intended to meet civilian requirements—the enforcement of law and order.

This new police force, believed to be the first of its kind, will be recruited through existing army recruitment channels and will be trained also by the army to form a highly mobile unit. Volunteers will undergo an intensive four-month course to adapt and fit them for their special duties in performing which they will be officered by superintendents drawn from the provincial police force.

It is considered that the force of 1,000 fully trained and armed men will be adequate for the demonds of the entire disturbed zone, but in addition to the creation of the new armed force, it is also proposed to increase the strength of the armed police force of the province.

League Committee Deliberations

CALCUTTA, Feb. 4.

Nawab Muhammad Ismail Khan, Chairman of the All-India Muslim League Civil Defence Committee, Mr. Muhammad Isa, a member of the Committee and Mr. Zakir Ali, the Secretary arrived in Calcutta this morning by the Punjab Mail. Khwaja Sir Nazimuddin who is a member of the Committee, has also arrived to join its deliberations, while Chaudhri Khaliq-uz-Zaman has not been able to come.

It is understood that the Committee will take stock of the work done by the Muslim League Provincial Civil Defence Committee.—A. P.

KANNADA EDUCATION SOCIETY

Commerce Member And Mysore Dewan Bless Bombay School

Commending the progress over the past three years made by the National Kannada Education Society's Kannada Primary School, Matunga, the Hon. Mr. N. R. Sarker, Commerce and Food Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council and Pradhana siromani Mr. N. Madhava Rau, Dewan of Mysore wished further strides for the institution in their messages on the occasion of the third anniversary of the Society and the Kannada Primary School's School Day celebrations which was held on Sunday last at the Mysore Association Hall. The Hon. Mr Sarker presented a beautiful model of an aeroplane for the use of the School. The Hon. Mr. Justice Lokur presided.

The annual report referred to the recognition accorded to the Bombay Municipality and also to a grant by the Corporation. A noteworthy feature was the encouragement of Kannada Education by the Government of Mysore, who have been pleased to make a grant which it is hoped will be made a recurring annual one.

Fortunately for the School, it has had during the year handsome donations of Rs. 3,000 from Mr. B. R. S. Iyengar and Mr. A. Seshan besides nearly Rs. 500 from the Bombay Kannada Sanghs which enacted a drama and gave the entire net proceeds to the Society. A promising start for the fourth year also was made at the anniversary when the Hon. Justice Lokur enrolled himself as a Life Member whose send was followed by Messrs. S. N. Srikantiah, M. S. Pandit, S. S. Iyengar, A. Prahlad, Dr. Joshi and another. Mr. G. S. Karpur announced a donation of Rs. 500 in memory of his revered father the late Rajasabhabhushana Karpur Srinivasa Rao. But the crowning incident of the day was the announcement of a donation of Rs. 1,000 by Mr. B. S. Chinnaswamy of the Khatau Makanji Mills. Thus altogether about Rs. 2,000 was collected.

Addressing the members present Mr. Lokur wanted Kannadigas to recognise the need for free and friendly association with Maharastrians and Gujaratis, but, at the same time, he urged the Kannadigas not to neglect their mother tongue. He congratulated the organisers of the Society for having provided educational facilities to Kannadigas in Bombay. He wished the School every progress and prosperity in the years to come.

B. D. Petit Parsi General Hospital

Following further donations towards the Funds of the Institution are acknowledged:

Children of Mrs. Cooverbai D. Kapadia, for founding a bed Rs. 5,300; Bai Dinbai H. B. Shroff in memory of her late son Mr. Dossabhoy, Rs. 1,100; Anonymous Rs. 1,000; A Parsee lady in memory of her dear ones, Rs. 1,000; Mr. Hormasji Jamshedji Mistry, Rs. 501; A Zoroasitrian Lady, Rs. 390; Poor boxes placed at the Hospital, Rs. 276-4-9; Executors of late Mr. Sorabji S. Sadri, Rs. 258-11-10; Sympathy for benefit of poor patients of the Hospital Rs. 250; Widow and son of late Seth Rattanshah R. Engineer, Rs. 200; Trustees of Seth Sorabji M. Sethna Charity Trust (for Oct., Dec. 1942), Rs. 150; Trustees of Seth Dadabhoy M. Vachha Charity Fund Rs. 100; Trustees of Bai Pirojbai D. M. Vachha Charity Fund Rs. 100; Amounts sent direct to Trustees of Parsee Panchayet Rs. 93.

Including donations of less than Rs. 100, the total stands at Rs. 10,936-0-7.

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RED ARMY ANNIVERSARY IN BRITAIN

Elaborate Plans Prepared: Cabinet Members To Address Rallies

LONDON, Feb. 4

Comprehensive plans are being made to celebrate throughout Britain the birthday of the Red Army on February 21.

Mass meetings and parades are to be held in London and a number of provincial cities where tribute will be paid to the Soviet Army and its leaders and the magnificent victories they have won.

The Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden and the Soviet Ambassador M. Maisky are expected to address rallies in London.

In provincial cities other members of the British Cabinet are expected to speak along with members of the staff of the Soviet Embassy and other prominent Soviet citizens.—Reuter.

Czech Armed Force Unit To Join Red Army

MOSCOW, Feb. 5.

An unit of the Czechoslovak armed forces fighting with the United Nations has arrived in the fighting line in Russia to join the Red Army, it was announced here to-day.

Czechoslovak soldiers in Russia wear British uniform. The unit was formed in 1941 by Czechoslovaks living in Russia or who had escaped to Russia.

A Czechoslovak A. T. S. Unit has also been formed in Russia.—Reuter.

106 U. S. Merchantmen Delivered In January

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

United States merchant shipyards delivered 106 vessels aggregating 10,08,400 deadweight tons in January 2 in the row in which production passed the million ton medal.—Reuter.

Lady Linlithgow In Poona

GANESHKHIND (Poona), Feb. 5.

H.E. the Marchioness of Linlithgow accompanied by Lady Lumley inspected the Poona Company of the Women's Auxiliary Corps (India) and visited military hospitals, the British Convalescent Depot, the Gift Shop, the Poona Work Party and the Lady Lumley Canteen for Indian troops. —A.P.

H. E. Sir Maurice Hallett, Governor of the United Provinces, performed the opening ceremony of the Lucknow branch of the Bharat Bank Ltd. at Hazratganj on Thursday.

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The eight biennial meeting of the National Council of Women was held at the Convocation Hall, on Tuesday. Photo shows a group of members of the Council, with Mrs. Maneklal Premchand, President of the meeting, in the centre.

JAILED CONGRESS M. L. A. MEETS MR. PHILLIPS

LAHORE, Feb. 5.

The Congress viewpoint regarding the present situation in India was placed before Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy by Lala Dunichand Ambalvi, a Congress member of the Punjab Assembly who was specially permitted by the Punjab Government to come here from Ambala where he is interned under the Defence of India Rules.

The meeting which took place at Government House, lasted 40 minutes.

It is learnt that Lala Dunichand addressed a letter to Mr. Phillips suggesting that he would not be able to gather a true picture of the situation in India without meeting the Congress leaders in prison and offering to place before him the Congress viewpoint if permitted by the Government to do so.

On receipt of the letter Mr. Phillips is stated to have expressed his desire to meet Lala Dunichand and a meeting was accordingly arranged at Government House.

Lala Dunichand is also reported to have submitted a memorandum to Mr. Phillips.–

COMMUNISTS DEMAND RELEASE OF CONGRESS LEADERS

That immediate release of the Congress leaders and the establishment of a National Government based on the unity of the great political parties—the Indian National Congress and the All-India Muslim League—could effectively defend India was the view expressed by a delegation of the Communist Party which met Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal envoy in India, this morning. The delegation consisted of Mr. Iqbal Singh, a member of the Central Committee, and Mr. Achar Singh, a member of the Provincial Committee of the Communist Party.

The delegation explained the anti-fascist stand of the Congress in Bombay when it expressed its readiness to fight fascism in alliance with the United Nations, and the programme of the Party which was working for national unity, for national defence and national Government.

"POLISH PEOPLE WERE OF GERMAN ORIGIN"

LONDON Feb. 4.

A sensational proclamation was posted in Warsaw and throughout the so-called General Government on Wednesday appealing to the Polish people to enrol themselves on the German volksliste.

The volkslite is for those who desire to claim virtual German nationality. The last date for enrolment is March 15.

The proclamation recalls that German historians had proved that the Polish people were of German origin and that only as a result of historical accidents did the people speak Polish and follow Polish customs.

The proclamation urges that the entire Polish population should show its undertaking for this "Fact by enrolling on the German Volkslite in return for which Hitler undertakes to place the entire population of the General Government under his special protection."

ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN IN FILMS

BERNE: "Those Rothschilds." This is the title of a film just completed by the Nazis in pursuance of their anti-Jewish campaign.

This film will be exhibited in cinemas of Europe. It purports to be a history of the famous family showing how they dominated the world and led to the downfall of Germany in the last war.

Subtitles are in French, Greek, Rumanian and other continental languages.— India Press Service.

K. M. MUNSHI REFUTES

Jinnah's 'False History And Bad Mathematics'

Mr. K. M. Munshi writes in 'Social Welfare':—

The limitations of Mr. Jinnah's knowledge are many. Sometimes they are of a primary school boy variety.

The Pakistani version of Indian History which he gave to the world contains the following. 'The Hindus have not ruled India for the last 1,000 years. For 800 years they were under Muslim rule and for the past 200 years both Hindus and Muslims are under British rule. The Muslims are slaves only for 200 years, but the Hindus have been slaves for 1,000 years.'

The first invasion of India which resulted in a kingdom by Mahomed Ghouri, a foreign Muslim, was in 1175 A.D., less than 800 years ago. For two hundred years the Hindus resisted such invasions tenaciously. The foreign Muslim conquerors founded a few kingdoms. The empire of Hoysalas, Cholas and Vijayanagar, much larger than even the Kingdom of Delhi, were the big empires in India of that age.

The short lived empire of Alaudin Khilji was founded in 1296 and collapsed in 1351. It was only in 1556 A.D. that Akbar, for the first time, with the friendship of the Hindus, founded a stable empire. But a glance at any elementary history book shows that even at the death of Akbar his empire did not extend to the south of Godavari nor to Gondwana which comprised parts of modern U.P., Bihar and Orissa.

But by 1680 Shivaji had declared independence in the South. Guru Govind Singh had founded the Khalsa. The Rajputs had revolted against Delhi. When Aurangzebe died in 1707 A.D., the Moghul empire had broken up.

The British took India not from the Muslims but from the Hindus and Sikhs. It was a Poona Brahmin who wielded the imperial sceptre in India which the British snatched from him at Kirkee in 1818. The Punjab was taken from the Sikhs, not from the Muslims. Rajputana was wrested from the Rajputs, not from the Muslims. Except, therefore, during the two hundred years of Moghul rule and the short lived military occupation of two early conquerors,—and these men were foreign Muslims—the bulk of the country was always in Hindu hands. If Muslims ruled a few States in India with a Hindu population. Hindu rulers ruled other States with Muslim population.

As to the Muslims being slaves only for two hundred years and no more, the less said the better. The Indian Muslims are not the descendants of the foreign Turk of Moghal. When Turks and Moghals invaded India, some Hindus went under and accepted Islam. The resisting Hindus remained what they were.

To-day the Nationalist struggles for freedom. The Muslim Leaguer is the loyal henchman of the British.

The Hindus and Muslims as a whole again did not come under the British rule for the past two hundred years. It was in 1818 A.D. that the battle of Kirkee was fought. It was in 1857 A.D. that the last Indian War of Independence was lost.

False history and bad mathematics do not make good politics. Nor does a competition between two slaves for the badge of superior or inferior slavery bring freedom to either.

OVER ONE LAKH OF SHOPS TO BE CLOSED

LONDON, Feb. 4.

The German radio says:— Between 1,00,000 and 1,20,000 shops will be closed by March 1 to save fuel and labour, the German Minister of Economic Funk announced to-day.—Reuter.

Begum Shah Nawaz On 'Fifth Columnists' In U.S.

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 3.

The first person to return to Delhi from the Pacific delegation's tour in United States is Begum Shah Nawaz. Whoever may be responsible, she signalised her return by holding a Purdah press conference, for no Indian correspondents—not even those representing British and American papers—were invited to attend the Conference. One theme of her talk is understood to have been that there is a small "fifth column" activity in America who are exploiting the Indian political situation for their own purposes. She had not much to say in answer to the questions bearing the political situation. As she is now a salaried official in the Information Department of the Government of India she cannot claim to speak on behalf of any political party.

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